

Roosevelt O.K.'s Measure Against Right To Strike

Also Approves Wagner-Lewis Bill To Thwart Jobless Insurance

By MARGUERITE YOUNG (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, April 18.—President Roosevelt today announced that he wants Congress to enact the Wagner Labor disputes bill or some similar measure to provide permanent mediation—a public name for compulsory arbitration—in labor-time employer disputes. At the same time he said he is conferring today or tomorrow on the Wagner-Lewis tax bill substitute for Federal Unemployment Insurance.

The executive frankly told the press he wants permanent mediation accomplished by legislation instead of solely by his own executive action. This represents a retreat in the face of the workers' stubborn opposition to the auto settlement and further reveals the strike-breaking character of the Wagner Labor Disputes Bill. Labor having refused to take the auto settlement arbitration principle lying down, although it came direct from the President, the latter now prepares to have Congress write the same ticket.

In mentioning the Wagner-Lewis so-called Unemployment Insurance Bill, Roosevelt clearly indicated he is aware of the mass demand for genuine unemployment insurance and the specific mass campaign now being waged for the only bill which embodies real insurance, the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill (H. R. 7598).

Proposing no suggestion for direct Federal unemployment relief, but rather a Federal tax to be contributed toward state unemployment reserves, the Wagner-Lewis bill does not apply to the present unemployed millions.

It only takes effect two years from now, and then with multiple discriminations and only through

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Demand the Release of Thaelmann

Brooklyn Meet Friday To Counter Nazi Meeting

NEW YORK.—New York workers will again mass at East 86th St., between Lexington and Third Aves., tonight at 7 p.m. to demand the immediate and unconditional release of Ernst Thaelmann, leader of the German Communist Party, now in a Nazi dungeon.

NEW YORK.—New York and Brooklyn workers will show what they think of Adolf Hitler when they mass in an open-air demonstration Friday night outside the Brooklyn hall, where the New York Nazis are to gather to celebrate Hitler's birthday.

The Nazi celebration is to take place on Friday, April 20, at 8 p.m., in Schwaben Hall, Knickerbocker and Myrtle Aves., Brooklyn. An open-air demonstration against German Fascism will begin at 7 p.m. in a park in front of the hall. It is called by the Anti-Fascist Action, representing 100,000 members, and the Anti-Fascist League.

Rakovsky, Chief Trotsky Ex-Aid, Hails the Correctness of Stalin Leadership

Party Line Is Wholly Correct, Rakovsky Admits

(Special to the Daily Worker) MOSCOW, April 18.—Christian Rakovsky, the chief lieutenant and close friend of Leon Trotsky, has addressed a long communication to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, soliciting readmittance to the Communist Party. He writes:

"In my telegram dated Feb. 17, 1934, I stated my adherence to the general line of the Party, and my complete and unreserved submission to the decisions of the Party congresses and to Party discipline. 'I hereby beg that it be considered that differences of opinion no longer separate me from the Party, that I fully and absolutely approve of the general line of the Party, also that I have broken irretrievably with counter-revolutionary Trotskyism.' 'Stalin Personifies Bolshevik Unity' Analyzing his errors in detail, Rakovsky concludes: 'The Party would not be able to carry out the enormous task of the radical reconstruction of the economy of the

Lucy Parsons Tells Story of May 1, 1886, in May Day 'Daily'

"The first May Day demonstration? Yes, I'll tell you about it. It was what today we call a United Front."

It is Lucy Parsons speaking, widow of Albert Parsons, famed Haymarket martyr. She will tell the story of the first May Day demonstration in Chicago in 1886 in a special interview by Bill Andrews of the Daily Worker Midwest Bureau.

This interview, together with a host of other superlative features, is to appear in the 24-page May Day edition of the Daily Worker.

Order your bundle now. Send your greetings without delay! Individual greetings will be printed for as little as 25 cents. Forward to a half-million distribution of the special May Day edition!

Bronx Protest on Scottsboro Torture Friday

Boys Reveal Threats of Murder for Rejecting NAACP 'Defense'

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 18.—Constant threats of murder in their prison cells are held over the Scottsboro boys in Jefferson County jail here. It was revealed today as more details of their torture by jail wardens were uncovered by the International Labor Defense investigation.

"As long as that nigger lawyer (Ben David-Ed.) keeps coming down here smelling your heads you're going to stay in solitary," he threatened.

On another occasion Warden Rogers brandished his pistol at one of the boys, threatening to kill him. "I ought to kill you now," he said. "They're going to kill you anyway, just like they're going to burn Patterson and Norris." Stool-pigeons, openly referred to as such in the jail, are placed in the boys' cells to provoke them into fights. It was on the basis of such a provocation that the boys were recently thrown into solitary confinement.

"I'll always believe my stool-pigeons in preference to you niggers," Rogers has boasted.

Recently, when Myra Page, well-known writer, visited the boys, Warden Rogers yelled at them that "as long as white whores come

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Sterilization Law to Be Enforced in Okla.

NORMAN, Okla.—Fourteen women and one man will be sterilized under the new state law provided for the sterilization of the "socially misfit," according to an announcement yesterday. Hopelessly insane, third-term criminals and others "who might become public charges" are scheduled for this operation. This is a similar wording to the law now being enforced in Germany and directed against revolutionary workers.

Down Tools on May First!



Mobilize for May Day by Every-Day Struggles Against the Bosses!

Close Working-Class Ranks Against Capitalism, Against Fascism, Against War,

For a Workers' Government. For Workers' Freedom Under Socialism.

[Declaration by Central Committee, Communist Party, U. S. A.]

COMRADES! May Day is near. May Day has been the International Revolutionary Labor Day ever since 1886 when the workers of Chicago downed tools on May First demanding the 8-hour work-day. May First has witnessed numerous working-class demonstrations all over the world under the banner of struggle against boss exploitation and boss war. Many a reformist labor leader has tried to make May Day a peaceful picnic day; leaders of the Socialist parties in every country have attempted to take the fight out of this red banner day of the workers of the world. In the United States the labor bureaucrats of the American Federation of Labor, in collusion with the government, have attempted to substitute boss Labor Day for Working-class May Day. Yet in the minds of millions of toilers May First remains fixed as a day of militant working-class action. Through the practice of the fighting workers in every country this day has become fixed as a day of great mass upswing against the main source of all the sufferings of the toilers, the capitalist system.

May First 1934 finds the sufferings of the masses of the whole capitalist world, and the misery of the workers and farmers of the United States, increased manifold. The fifth year of the crisis is upon us. There are fifteen million unemployed. There are millions of farmers either bankrupt or on the verge of losing their only source of livelihood. The New Deal of capitalism under the Roosevelt administration has helped the capitalists to garner more profits, but in order to be able to do so, it has slashed the real wages of the workers who can now buy less for the dollar than they could buy a year ago; it has increased the speed-up in the factories to a degree

where the lives of the workers are rapidly destroyed; it has put restrictions on the right of the workers to organize and to strike, and it prepares the ground for a total abolition of the right to strike; it has poured billions upon billions into the treasuries of the bankers, manufacturers and landlords, leaving the great mass of unemployed to starve; it has increased discriminations against Negro toilers to a degree surpassing all the records of capitalist brutality; it has let loose a reign of terror against the workers and farmers, which finds its most hideous expression in the lynching of Negroes, with agents of the State aiding and abetting the lynchers; it has imprisoned thousands upon thousands of militant workers and farmers. All this was done as the capitalist way out of the crisis; but since this lowering of the standards of living of the masses is still unable to do away with the crisis of capitalism, but on the contrary it has met with an increasing militant resistance of the workers, the American government is moving headlong towards Fascism and war.

Fascism has for its purpose the crushing of the workers' organizations by means of an open terrorist dictatorship of capitalism. Fascism is being systematically introduced by incorporating the labor unions into the machinery of the government, using the leaders of the A. F. of L. and the Labor Boards to break strikes, attacking the militant labor unions, outlawing strikes, while at the same time spreading the most vicious nationalism, white chauvinism, and propaganda against the foreign-born masses. War preparations are being made by speeding out under the N. R. A. the greatest naval building program in the history of the U. S. A., by mobilizing

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Police, S. P. Powers' Warlike Notes Retreat on Union Sq. Ban

Revolutionary Workers To Enter Square at 2 P. M. May Day

NEW YORK.—Union Square has been won for the revolutionary workers of New York City with the defeat, by mass pressure, of the latest conspiracy of Mayor LaGuardia and the Socialist Party leaders to ban the United Front May Day demonstration from the Square on May First.

Tens of thousands of workers will pour into the Square at 2 o'clock, May Day, under the banner of the United Front struggle against hunger, war and fascism.

S. P. Gives Up Square in Mortal Fear of United Front

The growing sentiment of trade union and Socialist workers for the United Front of Struggle on this

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Powers' Warlike Notes Reveal Growing Tension

Japan, France, Britain, Germany in Snarling Declarations

U. S. Plans to Co-ordinate Plans, Industry for War

NEW YORK.—Great Britain, France, Germany and Japan, in sharp, harsh declarations issued within 24 hours, revealed openly today a capitalist world of snarling imperialist bandit powers ready to plunge the world into war.

Japan, through a Foreign Office spokesman, threw a snarling warning at the U. S. and other imperialists competing for the spoils of China, and declared Japan would resort to force to protect its claim to complete "responsibility" for the East.

France, in a sharp and bitter note, declared it would have nothing to do with discussions on disarmament until Germany was disarmed and until Great Britain guaranteed armed protection of France against aggression. The note declared that the Little Entente, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, and Yugoslavia fully agreed with France. It declared its sharp opposition to Germany's rearmament program, which involves a budget increase of 40 per cent.

Great Britain, in a "white paper," reported the French note, together with other documents arising out of Capt. Anthony Eden's tour of Europe, revealing the determination of all European capitalist powers to arm to the hilt. This paper seeks to place at the responsibility for Britain's own big armament program on France.

Ernst Roehm, chief of staff of Germany's Nazi Storm Troops, an armed force of a million and a half men, declared that the Storm Troopers will be maintained as a fighting force, and that Nazi Germany is prepared to defend itself against any aggression.

Murray, Irish C. P. Leader, to Speak in N. Y. Tomorrow

NEW YORK.—Sean Murray, of Dublin, leader of the Communist Party of Ireland, will be the chief speaker at a mass meeting in support of Irish national independence at Bryant Hall, Sixth Ave. at 42nd St., tomorrow at 8 p.m. A veteran of the Anglo-Irish and post-treaty wars, Murray has been associated with the Irish fight for independence from the age of 16.

Growth of Marine Workers Union Cited at a Meeting of Nat'l Committee

Seamen's Mass Strikes Taking Place, First Time Since 1923

The union leadership decided to start a drive for 5,000 new members before August, when a National United Front Conference is planned, to consider strike action on a nationwide scale to force improved conditions in the industry.

Reporting on the work of the union, Hudson, National Secretary, pointed out that the eight months since the National Convention had proved that we were right then in our analysis of the N.R.A. and its action in the marine industry.

Analyses N.R.A. The N.R.A. was ended, Hudson pointed out, just at that time, and we analysed it, showing it would not bring prosperity, would not raise wages, would not guarantee the right to organize and strike. On the

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Deputies Kill Striking Negro Miner In Alabama; Auto Men Reject Board

Murder of Negro Mine Striker Opens Terror Reign in South

MILITIA IS CALLED 21,000 Out; Pickets Go On to Shut All Mines

BULLETIN Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Strike-harried Alabama coal operators conferred at length today with Donald R. Richberg, head lawyer for the N. R. A. and officials announced N. R. A. Administrator Johnson personally will get to work on "solving" the "crisis" as soon as he returns to night. Richberg thought no announcement would be forthcoming tonight. In other words, no agreement has been reached on the method to be adopted to break the rapidly spreading strike of the Alabama steel workers and ore miners.

Special to the Daily Worker BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 18.—Edward England, Negro coal striker, was shot and killed today by Deputy N. E. Kirkland and Chief of Police H. L. Mason.

England was murdered on the picket line at the Red Diamond Coal Company, Leeds, Alabama. With drawn guns, the chief of police and deputies ordered the strikers to disperse. A group stood their ground, and both gun thugs fired point blank at England, killing him on the spot.

This unleashing of terror is the beginning of a drive to stampede the 21,000 striking miners back to work. National Guards have been sent to the Edgewater Mines of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co., a J. P. Morgan corporation. The militiamen are armed with pistols, rifles and machine guns. General John C. Persons, commander of the Alabama National Guard, and a bank official, ordered out additional national guardsmen for strike duty. The militia is supplementing the 225 special deputies at the T. C. I.'s four captive mines.

Sheriff Hawkins, who whitewashed the torture of the Scottsboro boys, advised the sending of troops.

Picketing continues at all mines. The Red One miners of T. C. I. threaten to strike, demanding \$4.50 a day for all outside labor, and \$5 for all inside company labor. They also demand equal pay and jobs for white and Negro.

The Communist Party and the International Labor Defense are demanding compensation for the family of the murdered striker, and arrest and conviction for the murderers, the deputy and chief of police.

Communist strike leaders are being threatened that they will be put on the spot by officials of the United Mine Workers of America.

Detroit Conference to Discuss Program for Spreading 'Daily'

DETROIT, Mich.—A special Daily Worker Conference will be held here Sunday, April 22nd, 10 a.m., at the Finnish Hall, 5969—14th St., to stimulate the Daily Worker circulation drive and to make final arrangements for the mass sale of the 25,000 copies of the special May Day edition.

A new plan worked out jointly by the management of the Daily Worker and the District Daily Worker Committee will be presented for discussion at the conference.

Many practical and concrete suggestions will be offered to the Party unit mass organizations and to individual workers how to increase the circulation of the "Daily." Every Party unit, every workers' mass organization is urged to send delegates to this conference. Friends and sympathizers of the Daily Worker are invited to attend.

Baseball Results on Page 2

All baseball results will be run daily beginning today throughout the remainder of the baseball season on Page 2.

Liars (Officials) Still Figure It Would Seem

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—How Secretary of Labor Perkins is doctoring the government reports to give a false impression of improving conditions in employment and wages was revealed today when it was made public that the Bureau of Labor Statistics has changed the index of average comparison from 1926 figures to the 1923-4-5 average.

This change makes the present situation look at least 10 per cent better in comparison with the past than it really is since the earlier years averages are lower than the generally accepted 1926 averages.

This change in the method of publishing government statistics was made at the suggestion of Perkins' advisory labor board.

Steel Workers Flout Chiefs At AFL Confab

Rank and File Defeat Tighe Machine At First Encounter

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 18.—Militant rank and file delegates at the convention of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel & Tin Workers, A. F. of L. union, which opened Tuesday, defeated the machine at the opening clash of the gathering.

Mike Tighe, president, tried to introduce Senator Jim Davis. The convention, led by the Gary, Indiana delegation, introduced a resolution condemning Davis for his support to the company union, and forced him from the convention hall.

The fight began with the seating of delegates from new lodges in arrears on per capita tax. The credentials committee, hand-picked by Tighe, brought recommendations to the convention for the non-seating of the delegates. Led by a delegate from Youngstown, the proposals of the credentials committee to oust these questioned delegates was unanimously voted down.

Progressive delegates from new lodges, joined by delegates from old lodges, voted against the Tighe machine. Each credential was acted on separately, taking decisions. Every recommendation of the committee, not to seat a delegate, was met by a thunderous "no." There was not a single "yes" to sustain the committee. Even the machine delegates lacked courage to face the ire of the whole delegation.

There are resolutions before the convention for lowering the per capita tax; lowering initiation fees and dues; immediate presentation of demands of the workers, with a 10-day ultimatum and a general strike.

The Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill (H. R. 7598) will be presented from the floor, and there will undoubtedly be a fight on the Wagner strikebreaking bill.

There is a danger of overconfidence on the part of the delegates due to their initial victories. Only a well-organized opposition can beat the Tighe machine to a finish. The delegates must meet in caucus, draft a clear opposition program and the tactics of putting them over.

DILLINGER AGAIN

SHREVEPORT, La.—John "Naughty Boy" Dillinger's picture adorned the walls of the bank which he held up here yesterday, bank officials said, after the elusive bandit had copied the bankers' game and robbed the bank.

The "bad boy of the West" was still at large, after he had last week stolen bullet-proof vests from a police station in Warsaw, a town in one of the western states.

Cooperage Plant Walks Out in Detroit, Mich., for May Pay

EXPOSE GANGSTERS

Arrest Workers Handing Leaflets to Hudson Men

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, April 18.—The strike of nearly 100 workers at Roberts Brass Mfg. Co., manufacturers of auto and aircraft parts, entered its second day with all strikers out on the picket line this morning. There is only one scab named Doyle who ran for council in the Dearborn elections last year and appealed for the labor vote. The strikers are led by the militant, independent union, Brass Workers Industrial Union.

The negotiations committee yesterday refused to be tricked by the Automobile Labor Board, which called the committee before it in an effort to break the strike. Byrd, A. F. of L. representative on Board, asked them whether they would be willing to accept an agreement similar to that put over in the recent Motor Products' strike. He offered 50 cents an hour minimum, 15 per cent increase on piece rates and pay now waiting time. The committee replied by presenting the demands adopted by the strikers and declaring it had no authority to change the demands or to make any settlement.

The strikers' demands are 30 per cent wage increase, recognition of the union, 24 hours notice to shop committee before discharge of any worker, shop committee to be consulted on piece rate adjustments. The union is planning to call a mass meeting of all brass and aluminum workers in an effort to spread the strike.

Cooperage Men Strike

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, April 18.—A department strike involving 100 workers at the Michigan Cooperage broke out today. The workers are demanding a 10 cents increase in wages from their present 65 cent hourly rate. The workers are organized in A. F. of L. local 54 of the Coopers International Union. The company had a contract with the local promising to raise the wages to 75 cents an hour. When the company failed to carry out its promise, the workers in the department went out on strike. The company also tried to bribe the president of the local by raising his wages \$5 a week. The local is trying to get the men still working in the second department. The plant employs 200 workers and is located at Rademacher and Fort. The chairman of the striking local is Charles Landis, and the secretary George Alston.

Expose Gangsters

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DETROIT, April 18.—It was just brought to light that the Michigan Store Company, while a strike has been on for the past week, hired as its "employment" manager a notorious

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Aircraft Strike Solid; Weinstock Is Told To Cool Heels

Mass Picketing at 2 Hartford Plants Show Militant Spirit

(Special to the Daily Worker)

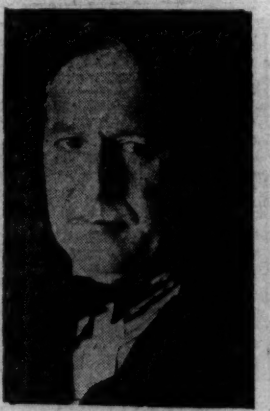
HARTFORD, Conn., April 18.—The strike of the 1,500 workers of the Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Co. and the Hamilton Propeller, remains solid. Masses of workers are on the picket lines.

A packed mass meeting at Sons of Italy Hall, composed primarily of youth, with great enthusiasm cheered the proposals to stick until all the demands are won. President Lavista of the Industrial Aircraft Workers of America, leading the strike, reported that all indications show the employers will soon come to terms. He also stated: "I was asked to come to a meeting with Anna Weinstock at nine o'clock last night, but there was plenty of time to meet with misleaders."

Weinstock, government conciliator and tool of the N.R.A., has sold out 250 greenhouse workers at Cromwell, Conn., sending them back without the granting of any conditions, with blacklisting, and no union recognition. She remains here in conference with the bosses and their agents, attempting to sell out other strikers.

The strike of the 1,500 workers at the Arrow-Hart and Hegeman plant, led by an A. F. of L. federal union, is solid. Hundreds of women

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CHRISTIAN RAKOVSKY

Yorkville Anti-Nazi Meet Tonight; Brooklyn Protest Tomorrow

Call Mass Meet To Demand Showdown On Dress Lockout

Needle Union Leaders Will Expose Deal With Bosses

NEW YORK.—To uncover what is going on behind the scenes between the officials of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union and the dress shop bosses, to expose the deal made between these two groups on the present lockout of 25,000 dressmakers, the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union has called a meeting at Cooper Union Hall today at 1:30, to which all locked-out dressmakers are invited.

Irving Potash, secretary of the N. T. W. I. U., said that he would bring documentary evidence of the betrayal of the leaders of the I. L. G. W. U., and has challenged these officials to come to the meeting and defend themselves.

Speakers at the meeting will be Ben Gold, Irving Potash, Rose Worts, H. Weisberg and G. Oswald.

At a meeting held yesterday at Irving Plaza Hall a delegation of 50 dressmakers was elected to go to the headquarters of the I. L. G. W. U. and demand that the union officials break their silence. As we go to press the delegation was still in the office of the union. The dressmakers will report back to the dressmakers at a mass meeting to be held at noon today at 36th St. and Eighth Ave.

Trotsky Ex-Leader Acclaims Leninist Lead of Stalin

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conciliability, political astuteness and strong will such as Stalin was the Soviet country able to overcome the most difficult task of socialist reconstruction.

"During the period of my remaining outside the Party, the Trotskyist faction to which I belonged has rolled over further down the anti-Leninist path. From petty bourgeois deviation within the Communist Party, it fell along the slope of adaptability to opportunism, transformed itself into a variety of social democracy, and finally found itself practically in the camp of counter-revolution."

"The realization of this deplorable truth drove me with ever greater force to seek an issue from this situation. The only possible issue was a precise and open acknowledgment of my errors."

Appeal to All Trotskyists

"I call upon all my former partisans who continue to adhere to Trotskyist opinions to follow my example. A careful example of the radical change which has taken place in the internal and external situation is sufficient to convince every person who considers himself a bolshevik of the necessity of such a step. To recognize this honest change is not shameful, but the strict duty of every bolshevik."

"Many know that an old, personal friendship connects me with Trotsky. Now my path and Trotsky's have abruptly diverged. At the present moment, when the polarization of all social classes and forces is occurring, when the world is divided ever more clearly into two opposite camps, and the Communist International and the Party of the Communist, the Bolsheviks of the U. S. S. R. are in the center of the revolutionary camp, all attempts to maintain an intermediate position are vain."

Aircraft Strike Solid; Weinstock Is Told To Cool Heels

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Pickets marched around the plant this morning together with the men.

The workers in the Colt Patent Firearm Co. are restless. Around 4,800 Underwood workers are anxious to come out, but their A. F. of L. leaders are attempting to hold them back.

Every factory in Hartford and surrounding cities is seething with revolt against starvation wages and unbearable conditions. The workers are organizing at a speedy tempo in independent unions, and in the A. F. of L. federal unions, and into industrial unions of the Trade Union Unity League.

A united front struggle of all unions is a great possibility here. Unemployed workers are preparing a demonstration for Monday to demand cash relief from the city and they are calling on the strikers and employed workers to support them.

Strikers, employed and unemployed workers are eager to hear Earl Browder, who is scheduled to speak here on Friday night at 8 p.m. at the Polish National Hall, Oak Ave. and Governor St.

Ten thousand leaflets were distributed among strikers and in con-

Baltimore Harbormen, Four Crews Strike for Keeping Relief Board

Roosevelt Backs Compulsory No Strike Measure

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reserve machinery set up by states and under whatever restrictions these states provide.

The Roosevelt Administration has been represented vaguely as favoring it—but only now, when the Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill (H. R. 7508) gathers support that threatens to force enactment, does the President seriously confer on the vague possibility of calling for passage. Obviously the Wagner-Lewis bill will be enacted only to head off enactment of a genuine bill.

The labor disputes bill announced by the President indicates a probability that this bill will be the implement chosen to further fascist labor organizations in the United States. Just as the N. I. R. A. was put forward under the screen of "giving labor the right to organize and bargain collectively," this measure was presented by Wagner as one to "outlaw" company unionism.

But the bill, as originally drafted, provides compulsory arbitration—arbitration when "any" party to a dispute agrees to it. It also contained much demagogic about making illegal certain (but not all) employer practices of fostering company-unionism upon employees.

Deletes Some Demagogues

Similar to the Wagner Labor Disputes bill, a railway labor bill for compulsory arbitration also is pending in Congress.

It is significant that compulsory arbitration appears likely thus to come out of measures first put forward to redress labor—precisely the N. I. R. A. was crafted out of the Country "30-hour week bill" and many industrialists, including Gerard Swope's, plans for placing control of production—monopoly power—openly in the hands of the biggest trusts and with the government acting as the administrator for big business.

Auto Men Reject Labor Board Offer

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ous police character, a certain Mr. Saul Perrone. This character hired by Mr. Frye, General Manager of the company, has brought gangsterism to the plant. It is reported that these gangsters carry concealed weapons with the permission of the Police Department.

Unable to break the strike and drive away the militant pickets, the company is herding scabs with the aid of gangsters. Fearful of the pickets, many of the scabs sleep in the plant.

The news of the hiring of gangsters with police protection has aroused great indignation among the striking stove makers as well as among the entire membership of the Mechanics' Educational Society, which are organized the striking stove makers and the striking tool and die makers.

The workers demand that the gangsters be driven away from the plants. The alliance between the companies and the underworld is a threat against the growing democracy of the workers in the auto industry.

The M.E.S.A. has announced that a protest meeting against gangster rule will be held this week end. The meeting (followed by a car parade) will send a delegation to the Mayor protesting against gangsterism and police terror on the picket lines. The striking stove and tool die makers are appealing to the Detroit workers to join in the fight against gangsterism and police terror. They appeal to all labor organizations to support their protest mass meeting and car parade. The police is increasing its terror against the auto workers.

Yesterday four workers belonging to the M.E.S.A. were arrested for distributing leaflets at the Hudson Gratiot plant. Today workers belonging to the Auto Workers Union who were distributing leaflets at the Motor Products Company, were driven away by the police. The arrested workers were released. Picketing continues at the Michigan Stove Co., where the workers are striking a 20 per cent wage increase. The tool and die makers who went out last Thursday continue their strike. Since the strike 22 shops settled with the union and 400 strikers went back to work on the basis of the union demands.

centralized factory districts by the Communist Party and the Young Communist League supporting the strikes on here.

1,000 Jobless Join in Meet; Demand Keeping Rank, File Control

BALTIMORE, April 18.—Four ships crews and longshoremen on two docks struck for two hours today in support of the fight of the unemployed seamen to maintain the control of the distribution of relief.

Over a thousand workers joined the seamen in a demonstration at noon in front of the Seamen's project.

Federal relief representatives, Messer, Liddle and Kelly, came down to the waterfront today with their complete office staff to take the administration of relief away from the seamen, but were met by a large body of aroused seamen who promptly chased them away from the region of the docks.

The relief officials have sent notices to the elected committee of seamen and the small business men in the neighborhood telling them that the relief tickets will not be honored after midnight.

A delegation of 50 unemployed seamen prepared to march to Washington to protest to President Roosevelt against the cutting off of the seamen's relief.

"We are going to walk every inch of the way," said a seaman who was elected to the delegation.

Worried about the seamen gaining control of the relief in Baltimore, Supervisor of Relief Plunkett, said, "The system of relief that the seamen have is an historical precedent."

The seamen have issued calls to all workers to support their fight by sending letters of protest to Roosevelt, Plunkett, and Hopkins in Washington.

Leaders of the Marine Workers Industrial Union, Unemployment Council and the Communist Party speaking on the waterfront pledged support and leadership to the fight of the seamen.

Police and Socialist Heads Back Down on Union Sq. Ban

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May Day and the mortal fear of the Socialist leaders of any expression of united action between their followers and the revolutionary workers resulted in the Socialist leaders giving up Union Square on May Day.

LaGuardia and his police had declared the revolutionary workers could not have the Square until "after 5:30 and on" May Day. The workers protested and sent a delegation with their demands to Mayor LaGuardia. The Mayor then passed the buck to a "committee of arbitration," composed of Arthur Arthur Garfield Hays, John Haynes Holmes and Roger Baldwin.

The job of this committee was to provide a formula by which the Socialist leaders could successfully separate the Socialist workers from the workers in the United Front. The committee proposed the hours of 12 to 2:30 for the Socialist Party, and 2:30 on for the United Front May Day demonstration.

This proposal was rejected by the Socialist leaders at a conference with the chief of police Monday, attended by members of the Board of Trade, the Broadway Association, the 5th Avenue Association, the 7th Avenue Association and other business men's groups, rallied by the Socialist leaders to their support.

The Socialist leadership insisted, in the person of Julius Gerber, that the Square be placed at their disposal for the entire day of May First.

Gerber Appeals to Police Friends

Gerber appealed to the police as a "Social Democrat," "A Social Democrat," he declared, "who has always co-operated whole-heartedly with the police department, and who is perfectly satisfied with the splendid co-operation of the police department." He continually reiterated his undying admiration for the police, and complained against the "terrible Communists."

Gerber later proposed to the police that the morning hours be assigned to the Socialist Party, and the afternoon hours to the United Front May Day demonstration. Gerber hurriedly withdrew this proposal when John Haynes Holmes asked:

"If 100,000 Communists will mobilize at Union Square, and hear that the Socialists are marching in, do you think anybody would be able to get them out?"

It was at this point that Gerber intimated that the Socialist Party would hold its May Day meeting in Madison Square instead of Union Square.

The United Front May Day Arrangements Committee last night called upon the Socialist and A. F. of L. workers to defeat the criminal splitting tactics of their leaders and to come to Union Square on May Day in one united front demonstration for the immediate demands of the working class and in joint, militant struggle against hunger, war and fascism.

GUTTERS OF NEW YORK

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"Washington is considering a film that will record the accomplishments of the N. R. A."

—VARIETY, Theatrical Weekly.

1,300 Relief Workers in Ohio Strike for Pay Rise; 500 Stop Pitts. Eviction

Hamilton, Ohio A.F.L. Workers to Join Mass Meet Saturday

OHIO relief officials yesterday resorted to another trick in an attempt to send the striking Butler County relief workers back to the job, by announcing all projects in Butler County closed, and that the funds would be transferred to Hamilton County.

A mass meeting has been called for all A. F. of L. and shop workers for Saturday, April 21, at the Court House steps. All of the shop workers express strong support to the striking relief workers. Steps are being taken to spread the strike.

Workers packed the court yesterday and compelled Judge Pater to grant a jury trial to McDermott and Smith, two relief workers who were arrested while picketing, on a framed up charge of disturbing the peace.

(Special to the Daily Worker)

HAMILTON, Ohio, April 18.—Three thousand unemployed and Federal Emergency Relief Administration "work relief" strikers demonstrated before the Government Welfare Building here Tuesday under militant leadership of the Protective Workers' Union and forced the director of relief, Browning, to recognize the strikers' union and guarantee relief to all strikers and their dependents.

In the Butler County strike, 1,300 F. E. R. A. workers out of a total of 1,380 on "work relief" are on strike, completely tying up all relief work, and demanding that the 33 per cent pay cut on relief work be restored.

As the 3,000 unemployed and strikers massed at the Welfare Building, despite the refusal of the officials to grant a permit, the strike committee forced the relief director to explain to the workers why the workers' demands were not granted. The workers hissed and booed as he refused to grant the wage increase, and forced him to promise relief to needy workers. After he had refused to grant their demands, the workers unanimously voted to continue the strike, and at the same time picket lines.

Although they are receiving union wages, all A. F. of L. workers except the painters have joined the strike, and the 68 moulders unanimously voted to oust Hosea, president of the local Trades Council, because of his strikebreaking policies.

In spreading the strike, mass meetings were held and union and strike organizations set up at New Miami and Oxford. For the first time, large mass meetings were held in Middletown, a steel city, completely dominated by the American Rolling Mill, and 300 relief workers joined the strikers' organization. Since the strike, the union membership has increased to 1,200.

This is the first country-wide strike in Ohio against the coolie wages of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, and Relief Director Browning rushed to Columbus on Tuesday for advice on how to settle the strike.

The strike situation is completely in the hands of the workers themselves, and all maneuvers of the A. F. of L. to control the strike have failed.

100 Police and Deputies Attack Jobless in Pittsburgh

Special to the Daily Worker

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 18.—Five hundred workers who massed at the Woods Run section here to stop an eviction were attacked by 100 police and deputies. One worker was wounded, and one of the attacking police is now in the hospital. Five workers, including one woman, all members of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, were arrested. The workers, organized under the United front committee, stopped the eviction.

During the past weeks, the workers have stopped scores of evictions. Sixty thousand jobless workers in Allegheny County are facing evictions and sheriff sales next week due to the policy of the relief bureau in cutting rent payments.

Bronx Workers To Hold Scottsboro Protest Tomorrow

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down here to see you, we're not going to let you out."

These tortures, it has been made clear by the statements of Warden Rogers himself, are inspired by the fact that the union should put out a special 5 cent stamp, the entire proceeds of which shall go to the German section for its struggle against Hitler and the German shipowners. The committee also resolved to strengthen the struggle against fascism in this country, and the fight against the ships flying the Swastika flag.

The committee also decided to increase the sale of the Marine Workers Voice, which has been growing in circulation and influence, raising the number printed by 2,000 immediately and by 5,000 before the August conference.

The National United Front Conference, to be held in August, will be preceded by a conference on the Gulf Coast and on the West Coast, to be held in June. In the meantime, Hudson is to make a tour of the West Coast during June, to help in the work of developing the conference into a mass struggle against the low wages and bad conditions on ships and docks, and to strengthen the united front against the shipowners and the N. R. A.

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The committee decided that practically all forces of the union should continue work in the ports they are now working in, and the members of the committee are now on their way back to carry on the fight for the M. W. I. U. program on ships and docks.

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Marine Union Meet Shows Growth of Seamen's Struggle

Southern Contrasts After Two Years in the Soviet Union

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Contrary, these promises were only a smoke screen to hide worsening conditions. Ours was the only marine workers organization that adopted this policy from the beginning. The I.S.U. and I.L.A. are part and parcel of the N.R.A. machinery, helping to introduce its fascist government control of labor organizations, for the benefit of the owners of industry. The I.L.W. at first hailed the N.R.A. as a "Charter of Labor Rights," then later repudiated it but has done nothing to fight against its enslaving codes.

Union Position Correct

The position and activity of the M.W.I.U. has proved to be correct by the struggle the marine workers have waged against the code provisions. A wage cut from inflation has been followed by a decrease in tonnage in operation, he pointed out. The unemployment situation in the industry has in no way improved. The "right to organize" is not worth the paper it is printed on. Men are fired daily for organizing and blacklisted for trying to organize their fellow workers.

On the West Coast, the N.R.A. decision, putting the Blue Book company union on the same basis as the I.L.A., shows its strike-breaking character. There is no recognition of labor organization—in fact, 15,000 seamen and longshoremen who endorsed the M.W.I.U. code have been deliberately denied representation at code hearings, and ignored in code preparations.

This showed our convention was right, said Hudson. He called for more activity to develop the resistance of the seamen and longshoremen to the N.R.A. and the shipowners' effort to reduce wages and working conditions.

Many Strikes

Mass strikes are taking place for the first time since 1923 in the marine industry, Hudson reported. He cited the Collier strike in Boston, where fourteen coal boats struck, and the threatened strike of all West Coast longshoremen, which was betrayed by President Roosevelt, after Ryan, President of the I.L.A. had failed to stop it.

Because we have not carried on sufficient work, and made sufficient headway among the longshoremen, we are still weak, he said, and recommended more work among the longshoremen as well as among the seamen. He reported a large growth in union membership among both longshoremen and seamen, and recommended a drive for 5,000 new members by August. The National Committee took this up with enthusiasm.

Support to German Seamen

The committee adopted a resolution supporting the German section of the International of Seamen and Harbor Workers, with which the M. W. I. U. is also affiliated, and decided that the union should put out a special 5 cent stamp, the entire proceeds of which shall go to the German section for its struggle against Hitler and the German shipowners. The committee also resolved to strengthen the struggle against fascism in this country, and the fight against the ships flying the Swastika flag.

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SPORTS

SAM ROSS

Opening Day Spirit

POLO GROUNDS, April 17.—Baseball was in the air today when eight major league teams trotted out in their respective fields to a mob of about 180,000 fans. I couldn't stop from thinking of the greatness of the sport since the advent of the "soft ball" game, which makes it possible for more people to play than ever before.

And when you find active participants in the field, you find the sport blooming like the buds on trees and the grass on the diamond, tra, la.

PUT opening day is the day when toothaches come on all of a sudden, and the boss says it's kind of funny getting a toothache on such a fine day. More kids' grandmothers and great grandmothers and aunts and great aunts died on opening day than on any other day of the year. And you get the idea right off when you trample over the clunder and smooth dirt and cement walks. Because the toothache hits some wearing gloves in their pockets, keep asking you, "Mister. Get an extra ticket?" You see a wistful, yearning look in their eyes and you feel like you want to take the whole lot of them in.

These kids wanted to see the game. If hanging around got 'em, I'm for hanging around. Nevertheless, there were plenty of them dotted through the bleachers and grandstands, along with workers, bosses and the regular run of sportsmen.

WELL, you're impressed that the New York Giants, the team little Napoleon McGraw built, are the world's champions because you can't stop from seeing, even if you're blind, big white letters standing out of green stands. "The Home of the New York Giants—World's Champions."

And these boys are a snappy looking outfit. Snappy uniforms. Fancy base runnings. Spectacular fielding. Acting like a bunch of finished virtuoses. Any way you look at them, you know you're seeing a gang of players picked up from sandlots, farms, factories and schools, who are finished artists, skilled craftsmen. When you talk about technique, you mean the Giants.

EVERYBODY was happy. Big smiles on the fans' faces. The hands and whistles resounded. Each player was perfectly at home. The fans wait from October to April for just such an occasion. In addition, the Giants were—6 to 1.

Before the game started, taps were blown for the late John McGraw. Bodies rose in unison. The players faced the brass band and felt solemn for a moment. The late McGraw had not died in vain though there was one cry in that hushed audience who had no respect for the speed-up, driving, booze-drinking exponent of classy hotels, big showmanship, big business.

Then the game started. Before you knew it, the Giants got a run in the first inning. They followed with three runs the next inning and Elliott, Philadelphia's pitcher, took the first fadeout of the season. In the sixth, Hansen, in spite of his hook-handed delivery, couldn't keep the boys guessing, and the Giants batted two more runs across the pan. The Phillies were saved from a shutout when Wilson hoisted a beauty over the left field fence to put Philadelphia's only marker on the score board.

All in all, Hubbell pitched a pretty

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Yankees 2-0-0-0-0-0-1-5-0-1
Athletics 0-1-0-0-0-0-1-5-0-1
Batteries: Ruffing and Dickey; Marcum, Benton, McKelthan and Hayes.

At Cleveland 6-0-0-0-0-0-3-4-0
St. Louis 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-2-0-0
Batteries: Hadley and Henneley; Pearson and Pytkak.

At Boston 1-0-0-0-0-0-1-0-0-0
Washington 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Boston 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Batteries: Weaver, Thomas, Russell and Berg; Winkler, Fenzels and Farrell.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

At Polo Grounds 0-0-0-0-0-0-1-0-0-0
Philadelphia 0-0-0-0-0-0-1-0-0-0
Giants 1-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Batteries: Moore and Wilson; Fitzsimmons and Richards.

At St. Louis 3-0-0-0-0-0-0-1-1-3
Boston 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Batteries: Franzone, Betts and Hooper, Spottner, Carroll, Perkins and Lopez.

At Cincinnati 0-0-0-0-0-0-1-0-0-0
Chicago 0-0-0-0-0-0-1-0-0-0
Cincinnati 0-0-0-0-0-0-1-0-0-0
Batteries: Bush and Hartnett; Vance, Sumner, Lombard and Papp.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

At Newark 2-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Buffalo 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Newark 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Batteries: Elliot, Wilson, Milstead and Crause; Brown, LaRocca, Dicke, Aube and Lien.

At Syracuse 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Montreal 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Syracuse 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Batteries: Kemley and Stack; Fuesel and Taylor.

At Rochester 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Baltimore 0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0
Batteries: Bels, Michaels, Moore, the Lewis, Richmond, Granger and Hargreaves.

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Strike Stops All Street Cars in Omaha in Spite of A F L Heads

Rank and File Flouts All Delay in Walkout Demanding Union and Pay Increases

OMAHA, Neb., April 18.—All street carmen of Omaha and Council Bluffs went out on strike 4 o'clock Monday morning. All trainmen, shopmen and barnmen of the Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Railway Co. walked out demanding increase in pay, recognition of the union and re-instatement of twelve active union workers.

After a delay of two weeks the workers forced International Vice-President J. M. Parker of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America to refuse to wait any longer and immediately the men went on strike. The street car men have been receiving 52 cents per hour and are now demanding 60 cents. The basic pay have been up 50 cents when the street car company had two men cars; now the basic pay is 52 cents for one-man car.

Parker is leaving the decision of the strike in the hands of R. L. Blume, Secretary of the Regional Labor Board at Kansas City. Parker is prepared to betray the strike when he said, "we are willing to arbitrate on the scale."

Pickets are stationed at all car barns.

The company is under the N.R.A. code which has a clause to agree to arbitration on the question of discharging men.

Agreement to Delay

Union officials had an agreement with the Regional Board to delay the strike by giving 10 days notice. The five days would have been up next Wednesday, thus permitting the company time to prepare to defeat the pending strike.

City Council of Omaha acts against the strikers. Mayor Towl called a conference to discuss the situation. City Commissioner, J. M. Hopkins said he believed that the council should license cars as taxis for the emergency merely by resolution.

Police on the 25th and Cumings St. car barn let scabs go through by the show of shot guns. Police cruising cars were ordered to stay in the neighborhood of the strikes. The A. F. of L. officials, Parker, is receiving secret radiogram messages by Washington to army officials in Fort Omaha. There is an anti-picketing law in the state of Nebraska. This law will be used against the strikers to force them to accept the terms of the Regional Board.

Daily Workers have been distributed and sold among the picketers. The paper was eagerly read and discussed. The distributors were told to come around again.

Workers Urged to Jam Court Trial of Jailed Unemployed Friday

NEW YORK.—Police brutally attacked a joint demonstration at the 14th Street Home Relief Bureau Tuesday, called by the Unemployed Committee of the Alteration Painters Union and the Charlotte St. Unemployed Committee, dragged four workers into the back yard of the Home Relief Buro, and after clubbing them with blackjacks, took them off to jail.

These were released through the International Labor Defense. When they came up for trial on Friday, April 20th, at the Magistrates Court at 161st St. and Washington Ave., at 2 p.m., workers should jam the court and demand their unconditional release. Workers organizations should write and telegraph the trial judge, protesting the brutal police terror and demanding the release of the prisoners.

Protest Connection Of School Official With Silver Shirts

TOLEDO, Ohio.—Protest has been aroused here against the reputed connection between Dr. P. Bruce Brockway, health officer of the public schools and the Silver Shirts who have begun a membership campaign here.

Clarence L. Wright of Columbus, the organizer of the fascist group spoke at meeting of the local luncheon-discussion club at the invitation of Dr. Brockway, it was stated.

Protests are centered around the demand that no officer connected with the school system should be connected with a group preaching discrimination against racial and political groups.

Open C. P. Meeting in Roxbury, Mass., On 8th Party Convention

ROXBURY, Mass.—All members of working class organizations are invited to an open meeting of the Communist Party to be held Saturday, April 21 at 8 p.m. at the Dudley Opera House, 113 Dudley St. Reports will be given by N. Sparks, J. McCarthy, J. Dawson and others on the Eighth National Convention of the Communist Party.

COPS ATTACK QUEBEC JOBLESS

HULL, Quebec, April 18.—Police and firemen attacked a demonstration of nearly 1,000 jobless workers yesterday and arrested Jean Lafontaine, one of their leaders. The workers were demanding increased relief, declaring that they could not live on the pittance allowed them.

Down tools May 1 for the release of the Scottsboro boys, against lynch terror, for equal rights for the Negroes!

Some Notes for the Biography of a Rat--- George Williams, Strikebreaker and Labor Spy

By HARRY RAYMOND

ONE who brings libel proceedings against a newspaper is supposed to come in to court with clean hands.

Just how clean are the hands of Mr. George Williams, co-worker of the notorious Max Sherwood, who has brought criminal libel charges against me in an attempt to halt the Daily Worker's exposure of the strikebreaking activities of these gentlemen, will be seen in the following notes on Mr. Williams' biography:

Although the strikebreaking activities of Mr. George Williams dates back over a period of over 25 years, his first gained prominence in the press as the central figure in a bribery plot in the month of May, 1929.

It was during the hokey work strike in Paterson, N. J., that George Williams, using the name of Ralph Robinson, was caught red-handed in the act of attempting to bribe Carl Holderman, New Jersey and New York representative of the Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers.

Arrested for Bribery

According to reports in the Paterson press at that time, and the "Hokey Worker", official organ of the Federation of Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers, a man who told the police he used the name of Ralph Robinson and O. G. Williams (later found to be George Williams) approached Carl Holderman with offers of large bribes to hold him out of the strike.

Holderman pretended to be interested in the proposition and in the presence of witnesses had further interviews with the so-called Mr. Robinson.

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Labor Dick, Who Is Bringing Libel Charges Against "Daily" Staff Writer, Was Jailed for Attempting to Bribe Union Leader



GEORGE WILLIAMS, alias Robinson, as he appeared in 1929, when he was arrested on a bribery charge in Paterson, N. J.

powder puff and other aids to beauty."

George Williams, who is now working with Max Sherwood, head of the Sherwood Detective Bureau, 1457 Broadway, helped to supply a band of thugs to the taxi owners to terrorize and slug strikers in the recent taxi strike.

Working for Williams and Sherwood in the taxi strike were the well-known thugs Eddy Gatti and Chas. Rindia, recently arrested in Philadelphia and held on \$3,000 bail each, for defiling the homes of strikers of the S.K.F. Industries. While on the Philadelphia job, the thugs were said to be working for the Bergoff Detective Agency, 2 Columbus Circle, New York. (We will deal with Bergoff in future articles.)

The "Williams Service"

Williams, while for many years a close associate of Max Sherwood, also had a private detective bureau of his own known as the Williams Service. This strikebreaking organization flourished in 1930. The Williams Service had phone service at 11 West 42nd Street and Williams had an office in the Flak Building where he piloted his nefarious trade.

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The Call then demands that all the presidents, and secretaries of each local union, all the members of the District Councils, and all other officials, city and state, should attend—that is, the conference is to be packed to capacity by the officialdom in an attempt to prevent any move on the part of the rank and file delegates.

The purpose of this conference is further exposed by the fact that in spite of unanimous decision of the delegated body of the Chicago Federation of Labor to participate in the United Front Job March on March 31, this decision was entirely overruled by the Executive Board. Despite this, a number of locals of the A. F. of L., as well as locals of the Chicago Workers' Committee on Unemployment, did participate in the march of 15,000 workers of Chicago for jobs, Unemployment Insurance Bill (H. R. 7598) and for relief.

The A. F. of L. Rank and File Committee for Unemployment Insurance and Relief is calling upon the local unions which are sending delegates to this conference to elect them on the program of:

1. For the Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill (H. R. 7598).

2. No discrimination against Negro and foreign-born workers in distribution of jobs and relief.

3. For the demands adopted by Local No. 637 of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paper Hangers.

In addition to this, the Rank and

File Committee demands democracy in the local unions and calls upon the members to fight against gangsterism and racketeering for which Chicago is famous. It demands exemption of dues for all unemployed members and calls for united action on the part of the organized and unorganized workers, employed and unemployed, in common struggle for the above enumerated demands.

Further, the Rank and File Committee demands increase of wages, shortening of the working day for the workers in the city.

Expose Wagner Measure

It is upon these demands that in a number of local unions election of delegates is taking place and to propose this to the Conference and rally members of the Chicago Federation of Labor and Railroad Brotherhoods for these demands. The Rank and File Committee also exposes the fake unemployment insurance bill of Wagner, which in reality is not only not unemployment insurance, but, if it would have been adopted, it would in the city of Chicago cut the present ratio of unemployment relief given.

The Communist Party fully supports the demands as formulated by the Rank and File Committee and further brings the whole question of this conference before the workers, organized and unorganized, and especially in the shops to show the real and true character of the leadership of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

The Role of the A. F. of L. Leaders

At the recent District Convention of the Communist Party, in the adopted resolution the role of the Federation of Labor has been characterized as follows:

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Farmer-Labor Leadership Exposed, and Way Out Through Mass Action Explained

By a Farmer Correspondent

THIEF RIVER FALLS, MINN.—The workers of the Thief River Falls have become discouraged with the old line form of organizations, where the president draws high salaries, where the workers pay high monthly dues, and there is no action.

So when Harvey Cartwright, organizer of the United Farmers League from Clearwater County, explained how a rank and file organization, such as the U. F. L., is run by the farmers, and how the workers in the town and cities do the same in the Unemployment Councils and the CWA organizations, the workers could easily see what was wrong with their organization and why the relief officials could get away with such things as firing 16 men from CWA on unpaid charges of "being too slow" and then not be forced to have a public hearing.

However, the Farmer-Labor politicians did not want any change in the tactics of the organization because they would soon be getting exposed. So Mr. Alabot, editor of the Thief River Falls Farmer-Labor paper, called, and one of the lackeys that feed at the public trough every legislature got up in the workers meeting and told the workers that they should vote all Farmer-Laborites into office; vote out all Democrats and Republicans, and this organization should support Congressman Lundeen, Gov. Olson, etc., etc. Then he began to give a long analysis of why the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill didn't get put into law and that he was sure the workers didn't want to get beat over the head like they did in Minneapolis.

While he was speaking, Ed. C. Baumann, Communist candidate for the legislature and militant farm organizer, came in. After Alabot was done, Mr. Baumann explained just how these political lackeys worked, showed actual proof for every statement, pointed out the necessity for rank and file organizations; that the only time the politicians ever did anything was when workers demonstrated their mass power.

Mr. Alabot never said a word, but the workers decided that they wanted Mr. Baumann to talk again the next evening. So the following evening Ed. Baumann talked for over an hour and a half to

a packed hall of workers. He told of the conditions in the Soviet Union, of the conditions of plenty instead of starvation, of happiness and laughter of children instead of uncertainty and want, of the shining future under a socialist form of government, possible only after the workers and farmers overthrow capitalism and eliminate the profit system.

After the meeting many workers and farmers joined the Communist Party, and a strong party unit was established, with many former Farmer-Laborites and Democrats joining the only true Party that leads the workers to final victory.

White Star Bakery Workers Find NRA Gives No Protection

By a Worker Correspondent

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Our experience in a strike against the White Star bakery in this city shows us that the Compliance Board of the N. R. A. doesn't mean a damn thing because we had, for four weeks, hearings every week and produced plenty of evidence, and nothing was done about it. On the Labor Board we got the decision in our favor, and that's about all, but the bosses know that they can ignore the decision of the Board, and in the meantime you can walk the streets until such time as the Labor Board might give you a decision and force the boss to recognize the Union Agreement or the representative of the workers.

The workers, of course, ever since the N. R. A. came out, are all worked up about the supposed protection they were to receive from these Compliance Boards, but which never materialized, and then of course after they find out that they were fooled again, then the men become convinced that they have no protection and consequently their attitude becomes different towards the System in which they had so much faith.

Members of BAKERS' UNION 14.



EXPLORE THE COLOR ISLANDS

As we have pointed out, there are two ways of altering our coloring—by chemical reaction, or by coating with a colored substance.

The changes usually attempted by women are: tinting of hair that is turning white due to age, reddening brown hair to get a livelier tone, bleaching dark hair to become blonde, and bleaching "streaky" gray hair to get an even white; also darkening of eyebrows and eyelashes for various reasons. As to skin: bleaching to get a lighter color, or to banish spots (freckles, etc.), reddening of lips or cheeks to get a "healthy" effect, and coating skin with tinted powder, not only to get a more "even" color, but to prevent the gloss due to natural oils of the skin.

As already pointed out, thick opaque colors cannot be used for most such purposes; therefore, the usable colors being transparent, a dark color of the body can be changed to light only by bleaching, that is, by a chemical reaction. There are a number of bleaching agents, some harmless, some decidedly not. For bleaching the hair or skin, peroxide of hydrogen, the antiseptic, is harmless except that such bleaching dries the hair a little. Fancy preparations are sold containing this bleach, but it will be cheaper and no less efficient in any way to use the plain peroxide, diluting it with water as necessary where a slight bleaching effect is desired.

Aside from the questionable taste of bleaching, there is a practical objection: the hair grows out with a constant treatment is necessary to avoid these dark roots—a nuisance at best. (The employers of salesgirls for perfume counters in most large stores, by the way, like "gentlemen," prefer blondes. The taste of the ruling class is imposed on the population, as Marx pointed out.) Peroxide is also safe for use on the skin; and, since powder, paste, or liquid depilatories contain injurious chemicals, peroxide is useful for bleaching hair on face, arms or legs to render it inconspicuous, when the skin is of a light tone.

Ammonia is also a bleach, but being a powerful alkali, may cause burning of the skin. Never use it unless very diluted or in the form of "toilet ammonia," and then with the greatest discretion. (It tends to produce a dead, pasty, white.)

Lemon juice, while not nearly so powerful a bleach as peroxide, is preferable. The juice of lemon used as a hair rinse gives the hair a very nice gloss. It is also useful for removing vegetable, fruit, and such kitchen stains from the fingers. Comrade Natalie speaks up for lemons:

"For hands: keep a lemon in the kitchen and after finishing with preparing meals and washing dishes, scrub hands in water with good, pure soap (Ivory or cascade) and rub well with lemon, especially rough or stained spots. It helps also to smooth and soften them, to rub in every night a mixture of glycerine and rosewater, and if hands are very neglected put on an old pair of cotton gloves over night.

"If you cannot afford time and money for a manicure and can't do

it yourself, do this: get a small brush on a stick (dime store) or use an orange-wood stick with a bit of cotton wrapped around the end, dip in lemon juice and wipe under the nails and push back cuticle. If you do this fairly often, your nails will look well-kept, and will not form hangnails unless you cut the cuticle.

"For rough elbows and knees—lemon again, and a little rubbing with a pumice stone well taking a bath."

(Next article: "Other Bleaches, and Hair-Dyes.")

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Reformists Forge Chains for Fla. Negro Workers

"We Are Naked and Hungry But We'll Fight for Rights"

By a Sharecropper Correspondent

DADEVILLE, Ala.—Since they have found out that we were in a union, they have shut down on us. They won't even buy us a print dress, no food, no nothing, and here are nine of us in the family and no way to get anything.

They don't want us in the Share Cropper's Union, but we are going to die in it because we intend to organize and fight to try to better conditions!

I am an International Labor Defense member, but my husband is a share cropper union member. He and my brothers and sisters are going to say we are giving the boss Hell as they give it to us. I was one that was run through the woods, swamps and valleys on the night that the mob crowd run in on us, but I am going to fight till I go down for the Negro and poor white as well.

We are real unemployed. No way to get food, no nothing. Every day we are starving. We know that the Scottsboro boys would have been dead if it had not been for the organization. Even if we are naked, hungry, and denied by the boss, we are going to stand up and fight for our rights! Because we all see that this fascism grows every day. We comrades don't care if they treat us bad, we are going to stand up and fight and organize for better conditions.

James Butler—Prince Of the Church and Champion Exploiter

By a Worker Correspondent

NEW YORK.—James Butler, founder of the chain grocery stores bearing his name, a pioneer in the field of the chain store system, passed away Feb. 20, after a long, successful career.

It is customary to speak well of the dead, therefore most eulogies and newspaper articles pay tribute to him in the usual manner. He was a prince of the church, a patron of horse racing and a contributor to Catholic church activities that are doing good service. For his faithful devotion to its tenets and his munificent gifts, he was created a knight or prince of the church as an unusual honor.

With all his philanthropies, he was only paying back in his own way, for favors received and for the great injury (though he had a perfect legal right) inflicted on people of his own faith by exploiting them; in the form of poorly paid employees, that gave him the whip hand in competition with individual stores. It is well-known, that his specialty was hiring grocery clerks and helpers from the Irish immigrant class as natives. The Young Men, eager to start in the promised land flowing with milk and honey, accepted his unconditional terms and low wages, below the scale of a living stipend, and from the savings effected by this exploitation, he was enabled to extend his chain of stores until it became one of the largest in the system of grocery stores.

Master Grange Fails To Stop Showing of Soviet Film in Bryant

By a Farmer Correspondent

BRYANT, Wash.—Local farmers and workers in this community are indignant over the action of the Master Grange when he dictatorially cancelled the use of the Local Grange Hall where the Soviet Union motion picture "Fragments of an Empire" was to be shown. This motion picture is being toured in connection with the "Voice of Action" \$1,500 campaign drive.

When the workers and farmers arrived at the hall, Comrade Dirk De Jonge, in charge of the tour, called a mass protest meeting, exposing the role of the leadership of the Local Grange as misleaders of the poor farmers. Many rank and file Grangers joined with the United Farmers' League in condemning the Master Grange (and his satellites) who is commonly known as a Ku Klux Klanner.

At the protest meeting it was decided to issue a leaflet exposing the fascist elements who are trying to prevent the U.F.L. from gaining prestige among the poor farmers here. Despite the sabotaging by the Master Grange, the motion picture was shown in a local farm-house the same evening. A good collection for the "Voice of Action" was realized.

NEGRO BOY FRAMED, BEATEN

By a Worker Correspondent

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—C. E. Parks, Inc. here, hired the son of John Taylor's wife to cook in his cafe. There was a white girl working there, so she told a Negro woman that this Negro boy told her to leave him a note in his pocket. She said that she would see to it that C. E. Parks would turn him off.

So he quit and went away to work and Policeman Barfield arrested him and brought him back and put him in jail, but he was taken out by the sheriff's forces and taken to the county line and beaten up, and was told to leave town and never return.

NOTE: We publish letters from farmers, agricultural workers, country workers, and forestry workers every Thursday. These workers are urged to send us letters about their conditions of work, and their struggles to organize. Please get these letters to us by Monday of each week.

Landowner, Commission Merchant, Government, Through C.W.A., Unite to Exploit Labor

By a Farm Worker Correspondent

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—We started a labor union to protect the labor of the Negroes of Brower Co., and we were at that time defeated and suffered a long time against the effects of it.

I was sentenced to two years at Rayford as the effect of a frame-up, and after my return I joined the farm workers of Florida who were making strenuous efforts to unite.

In 1932, the Negroes were deprived of all the land that they had cleared up to farm on, by the bosses putting up signs around it, and several were put in jail by the sheriff forces. This land belonged to the Government and only Negroes were deprived of all the land of any value.

The seed and fertilizing could not be bought by the Negroes from the

C. P. Organizer in Southern Illinois Hurt in Accident

Drunken Coal Thugs, Driving Recklessly, Kill 1, Hurt 5

PANA, Ill., April 18.—One person was killed, and four others were injured recently in an automobile accident which was the result of a wild drunken orgy by two company thugs, employed in Taylorville, near here, by the Peabody Coal Company.

After drinking and carousing here, the thugs, Ralph Lockard, Jesse Lockard, W. Spinner, and J. Banco started back to Taylorville in a large, new automobile. About four miles out of Pana, traveling at an excessive rate of speed, the intoxicated driver lost control of the machine, and smashed into an automobile containing Ralph Shaw, his wife, and two other workers, Ernest Jones and Frank Gushes.

All four workers were severely injured, while in the thug's car Jesse Lockard lost an eye, and Banco received injuries which resulted in his death.

Coroner Nolan of Christian County is trying to whitewash the accident, because the driver of the death car, Ralph Lockard, is the son of Art Lockard, deputy sheriff of Christian County, and personal guard to Mr. Augus, Sup't. of the Peabody Mines.

Committee of 100 Urges Return of All Collection Lists

NEW YORK.—The financial secretary of the Committee of One Hundred on C. W. A. and Unemployment urges all delegates to the conference to return all collection boxes, stamps, and collection lists immediately. Funds for the continuation of the activities of the New York Conference on C. W. A. must be had at once. Please bring all funds to 29 E. 20th St., the new headquarters of the Committee.

Tickets are now ready for the date to be held on May 4th for the benefit of the United Front Committee, and can be had at the above address.

Letters from Our Readers

OUR OWN "BOARD OF HEALTH"

NEW YORK. Dear Comrade: With regard to the comrade who was mistreated by the Board of Health when he applied for a food handler's card, I want to say that this has been the experience of nearly everybody who has had any business with the "Voice of Action" \$1,500 campaign drive.

But why doesn't the comrade apply to our own Board of Health, Dr. J. Edgar Hoover, to Doctor Luttinger. If he is a Party member and has no money, he can get a notepad, a pen, and not only a thorough examination, but was treated better than by private physicians. The comrade doctor actually told me, "It was a privilege to serve me" and that's a half back into my hand. That's the way our Board of Health treats us!

Comradely yours, H. M. SUGGESTS A BOOK REVIEW COLUMN. NEW YORK. Comrade Editor: Ever since my reading of the "Daily" I have found our paper to be a true fighter for the workers, through its exposing of the bourgeois "labor" parties, reformist organizations, strike-breaking organizations as well as all fakers and slave drivers. But Comrade Hathaway, one thing I feel is missing, and that is a column for the daily criticism of our books, which can be turned into a powerful educator. Here is my reason:

In the Y.C.L. I see mainly experienced members, who know what books or pamphlets to read, for their education in the movement, economically as well as politically. This, comrade, is equally so in our Party. We have our schools, but only our comrades and close sympathizers go for their education. What is needed in the movement is the masses.

Among the masses we find workers who are on top of the fence, yet do not know where to drop. Many of them read the "Daily," but will say a easy about taking an active part in our movement. That means that these workers must be clarified theoretically as well as in activity, as to what we mean. The way to draw them in is through criticism of our literature, in our daily paper.

This will give them a stronger desire for reading of books which are clearly pointed out the need for a socialist society. The criticism of our literature, which shows their life a hole of misery, is a strong way of drawing the backward, as well as those "on the fence" to our Party ranks, as well as a tightening and strengthening of ourselves in our ranks through education.

The "Daily" must be a powerful fighter as well as a good educator. "Books for the Daily Worker" can be a strong weapon in our hands. Comradely, J. G. Y.C.L. Sec. 15 Unit 12.

companies on the credit system. The Negroes were forced to work share-crops, and the bosses would ship the produce North and we wouldn't receive any returns. And it grew out of the white farmers' hands to charge a Negro one tenth on the dollar to sell his produce.

The commission merchants take our produce such as tomatoes, egg plants, pepper beans, potatoes, squash, spinach, cabbage, cucumbers, sweet peas and all perishable produce. This is put in the commission merchant's hands and he keeps it until it ripens, and sends for the Negro to come and get the crates. The crates cost 15 cents, packing costs 5 cents, therefore every hundred crates are \$20 that we have to pay before we pack our produce, or our produce is lost.

Women and children starve and are naked at hands of these no-good bosses.

And in 1933—such farmers as Decker, Lockley, Wiley, Sullivan, McJunkin and a numerous other farmers from Homestead, Fla. and all other mechanized farms produce is grown in Florida, made it impossible for Negroes to carry on and to receive a livelihood. The bosses adopted a plan to pay \$1 per day. They let the Negro work five days and we have to pay before we pack our produce, I mean from 5 a.m. until 7 p.m.

The Negro reformists are made bosses over others, so we plainly have to die to go to hell; we are now in hell, where we have a white boss to contend with.

At that time, Roosevelt's New Deal came in force, such as the C.W.A. The Negroes worked four days and were cut off, and the Sheriff, Wald Clark, Bob Clark and Chief Shan Charley Becker of the Peabody Coal Company, authorized the Negroes to go to work for Mr. Decker. This farmer built up a front with the city and county officers to make Negroes work for him at \$1 per day and 5¢ days per week, which netted \$5.50 per week.

Women go before daylight to pick beans at 15 cents per hamper, they can't pick as long as the dew is on, henceforth they wait in the fields until about 11 o'clock before going to work.

Cleveland Furniture Workers Win Complete Victory in Their Strike

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 17.—Two hundred workers of the Cleveland Furniture Co., who recently were on strike under the leadership of the National Furniture Workers Industrial Union, went back to work with a 100 per cent victory.

They gained recognition of the union, a 15 per cent increase in pay for all workers. All the workers fired in the last strike were re-hired. The strikers maintained a 24-hour picket line during the strike. They forced the city to grant relief for 47 of the strikers, during the strike. Most of those who were involved in the strike are young workers. The union is formulating special youth demands and youth activities for the young workers.

What is your Unit, trade union, mass organization doing to get new subscribers for the Daily Worker? Help! Put the sub drive over the top!

TECHNICAL ERRORS. NEW YORK. Dear Comrades: I have a criticism to offer which is I think of supreme importance. I am in complete accord with your attempts to increase your circulation and broaden your scope in the class warfare as a weapon of the Communist Party. Your purpose in reaching a constant array of new readers is being sabotaged by a constant and persistent technical inaccuracy, which can be understood by a Communist like myself who fully agrees with your policies. But a new reader who inculcated with all the capitalist demagoguery against the Daily Worker, and picking up the issue of March 24 to find that "the cabmen are striking for 23 days a day" and on page 5, column 3, "The sixth Congress—in the summer of 1823."

These inaccuracies are local points for persons only too ready to seize the slightest excuse to attack the party. Whether we want such elements or not, it is not to our benefit that they—this class—do have them. Furthermore, with the advent of the new and modern press and the union wages received by our printers, the Daily Worker staff must be severely criticized for this failing, if only on the score of good journalism and a Communist standard of discipline and production.

So I close with a knowledge that this criticism will be regarded as entirely of a constructive nature and will be treated in such a light. Should I be guilty of confusion or lack of experience on this score, I am only too ready to avail myself of your experience and knowledge for my correction.

Comradely, —H. H.

Farm Woman Toils For a Little Milk And Torn Clothes

By a Farmer Correspondent

TALLAPOOSA COUNTY, Ala.—I am going to tell you my condition. I am a widow woman and I live with my mother and father, and both of them are old. I have no one to help me at all and the people that I live with make me wash for them and they don't pay me anything but things they don't want, a little milk, and old worn-out clothes. But I have to put up with it to have a place to stay.

I haven't got clothes to change in. I have one dress to wear to church. I wore it all last year, and I am still wearing it. I think that if there was ever a person needed help it is me.

I did all that I could when the women were working at the graveyards, and they would not let me on. I have gone to so many people for something to do, and they turn me down. Just any little thing that I can do to earn myself a little money, and I am doing what I can in the local.

Musicians Gain in Fight on Bureaucracy In Local Number 802

Rank and File Nail the Lie of Canavan at the Union Meeting

By R. F.

NEW YORK.—On Monday, April 9, 1934, at a regular membership meeting, the members of Local 802, American Federation of Musicians, reached the turning point in their militant fight for local autonomy (self-government). The rank and file took the offensive and the officials were decidedly on the defensive. The members gave their popularly elected by-laws revision committee and special-elections committee a vote of confidence. In a resolution, unanimously adopted, the members demanded that the law committees continue with the work of revising the local by-laws and holding a special election for replacing the seven appointed officers with democratically elected officers.

Mr. Canavan, the chairman of the governing board, appointed from above, used the filthiest tactics in his attempt to stem the flood of rank and file revolt and indignation. He had rats, disrupters and police-spies from the industrial squads mingle with the membership. (The members kicked out one police-spy whom they caught entering through a side door. He could not show a membership card and he said Mr. Canavan had invited him.) He was ejected despite his high official references and he narrowly missed a beating.)

Canavan Stalls

Mr. Canavan stalled along, hoping the members would leave without adopting their resolutions. He openly lied about the minutes of the previous meeting which he had falsified. The members told Mr. Canavan to his face and called him a liar. In his pathetic and idiotic attempts to save his face he accused Richard Cohen, a member who recently died, of having introduced a question into the minutes as to whether the action taken by the members at the previous meeting was legal or not.

Mr. Canavan stood before the members and seriously stated that it was unfortunate that Richard Cohen was dead, but this question had committed suicide since the March 19 meeting and therefore he can not verify my statement.

The members howled with laughter at this absurd claim. The members forced Mr. Canavan to expose this lie from the record of the previous minutes and overrode him at several points by appealing from the decision of the chair.

The members unanimously support the rank and file committees and if they continue their present line of action there is no power which can prevent them from getting local autonomy.

WORKER CORRESPONDENTS!

The names of workers who write to the Worker Correspondence Department of the "Daily Worker" are never published unless we are especially authorized to do so.

The staff of the "Daily Worker" understands that to print these names might mean local persecution. Hence every precaution is taken to make absolutely certain that all names are kept secret.

However, we request that all letters sent directly to the paper be signed.

We ask this because frequently letters arrive from important shops and industries from which special information is urgently needed. Valuable information concerning the activities of labor racketeers, secret war preparations, and similar events are frequently obtained from worker correspondents with whom we are able to get in touch when any hint of this information comes into our office.

The effectiveness of the "Daily Worker" can be tremendously increased if we are able to get in instant touch with correspondents in various sections of the country and in various industries as occasion demands.

PARTY LIFE

Dist. 8 Members Pledged to Carry Out Convention Tasks

Basic Tasks Among the Negro Workers and in Metal, Railroad, Stockyard and A.F.L.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 16.—At a meeting of the active members of the Chicago Party organization, after hearing the report of Comrade Gebert on the 2nd National Convention of our Party, the Active members unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"1. After hearing report of National Convention of our Party, by our District Organizer, Comrade Gebert, we, the active of the Chicago Party organization, fully agree with the decisions of the Eighth National Convention. We note with satisfaction the increased growth of our Party among the native born American and Negro proletariat and the ever greater participation of our

Party in the struggles of the American working class.

"2. We further realize that such an improvement and growth was made possible not only because of the correct analysis of the economic and political situation in the country, but in the daily application of this line in the daily struggles of the American proletariat. We also note with satisfaction the complete absence of factional friction in our Party and the complete unity of our Party, on the line of the Comintern, for the tasks confronting us. It is only such a Party that can successfully lead the American working class to final victory.

"3. We, the active of the Chicago membership, pledge fully to support and carry out the tasks outlined in the National and District Conventions and to carry out the central tasks adopted by the District Convention especially in the Stock Yards, steel mills, metal shops, railroad and work in the A. F. of L. among Negro masses, unemployed, youth and women; and to build the unions of the C.I.U.L.

"We further pledge to carry out the tasks of increasing our Party membership in our District to 5,000 dues-paying members by January 1; to triple the Daily Worker circulation and the Y.C.L. in our district by January 1.

"Our foremost immediate task before the entire Party membership is to mobilize the working class of Chicago to come out 50,000 strong for the demonstration on May Day.

"Forward to an increased tempo of our work in the organization of the working class under the leadership of the Communist Party in District 8!

"Forward to a successful mobilization of the working class in struggle for their everyday needs, against social-fascism and fascism; for defense of the Soviet Union, and for the final overthrow of capitalism."

Join the Communist Party

36 E. 12th STREET, N. Y. C.

Please send me more information on the Communist Party.

Name

Street

City

Make sure that your greeting will appear in the May Day edition by mailing it at once, address, Daily Worker, 50 East 13th St., New York City.

Doctor Luttinger Advises:

By PAUL LUTTINGER, M.D.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Dinitrophenol for Obesity

D. M., Providence, R. I.—The patent medicine "Die Nigh," which you are referring to is probably Dinitrophenol, the chemical name of which is Alpha Dinitrophenol Sodium Compound. It is composed of the sodium salt of the dye, dinitrophenol, to which has been added charcoal and supranatural substance and it comes in pink colored capsules. The dose is two capsules daily but we advise you not to take it unless you can be under medical supervision. An article on Dinitrophenol appeared some time ago in this column. By referring to back copies of the Daily Worker, you can get all the information on the possible dangers in the indiscriminate use of this drug.

The Organ of Writing

M. M., Dayton, Ohio.—We do not understand what you mean by the "organ of writing." The hand is usually the organ with which we write, although some people who have lost their hands have trained themselves to write with their feet. Frequency, Galvanic, Faradic, and Sinusoidal currents; Diathermy, Infra-red, Ultraviolet (Mercury-quartz and Carbon arc) radiation; Thermo (heat), Hydro (water), mud, paraffin treatments and electric baths; massage, medical gymnastics and high-colonic irrigation.

Alcohol does not develop the "organ" of writing; black coffee and strychnine might stimulate you for a short period, but this is followed by a depression which has to be overcome by larger doses of stimulants.

The Work of the Physiotherapists

V. U., Danville, Va.—Physiotherapists, licensed to practice in the State of New York, under supervision or under orders from duly qualified physicians and surgeons. The work they usually do consists in administering various forms of electric treatment, such as High Frequency, Galvanic, Faradic, and Sinusoidal currents; Diathermy, Infra-red, Ultraviolet (Mercury-quartz and Carbon arc) radiation; Thermo (heat), Hydro (water), mud, paraffin treatments and electric baths; massage, medical gymnastics and high-colonic irrigation.

Greet the Daily Worker on International Solidarity Day

CHANGE THE WORLD!

By MICHAEL GOLD

The Press "Reports" An Anti-War Meeting

Dear Mike:

On April 6, about 6,000 men and women swarmed into St. Nicholas Arena in support of a rally against war and fascism held by the New York Committee of the American League Against War and Fascism. The hall was jammed. The leading speaker on the program was Dr. Harry Ward, National Chairman of the American League Against War and Fascism, and other prominent speakers. Various organizations confronted civilization today. Important resolutions were drafted and thunderously passed.

Next morning I buy me a copy of the New York Times to read what the capitalist press had to say about the affair. "All the News That's Fit to Print." Not a line. Not a word. But what's this? Here's a few paragraphs of the speech made by the Rev. Norman Thomas, and the Right Reverend Holmes at Community Church against war. I started to read, then had to give up.

The capitalist press lies, distorts and misrepresents on many occasions. But it is not the fact that it is so important. Even when truth, not by virtue of what it says but by virtue of what it refrains from saying, the "Times" announces the latest "catch" of our of a strike of factory workers in page 10, the "Times" is lying. When one-twenty-fourth of the extrajudicial proceedings against Inu and Inu at Cleveland, it is lying. And when it devotes space, in a column of a column about the Communist Party Convention, to a 6,000 crowd, to Army Day parades and speeches and not an inch of the New York Times that it is lying.

"All the News That's Fit to Print," eh? Preparations for mass murder: fit to print. Protest against mass murder, by the working class: not fit to print. You see, it hardly paid the "Times" to be considered "Times" knew that 60 per cent of the audience was unemployed. A poor market for the merchants and brokers who advertise in the sheet. Let alone the new models displayed in the automobile advertisement.

This wall of silence they try to build around revolutionary events, is what does the real damage. But papers like the Daily Worker are not effect they have on the workers, by the mass demand for truth they are arousing in the workers, forcing the capitalist press to pay more attention to truth and less to bunk.

P. S.—Have just learned I was wrong about the "Times" Mike. It seems they did report the rally after all. The concluding sentence of the short notice about the Rev. Thomas' speech against war (which I could not finish for gastronomic reasons) reported that there has also been a rally of 6,000 at St. Nicholas Arena. That's all. P. P.

Music By White Guards

Dear Comrade Gold:

In my capacity as music editor of a "respectable" bourgeois newspaper, I attended the concert of the Prince Olenyok Chanters at Town Hall the other night. There I had an excellent opportunity to witness the decadence and cultural bankruptcy of the White Guard remnants of New York—an instance of their decadence and cultural bankruptcy of the world over.

Imagine, if you will, a program of music purporting to be representative of the spirit and temper of the Russian people with only a single folk-song—and that one uncharacteristic where with only a few of an oppressed peasantry straining to be the yoke of their masters? Where were the songs of an aroused proletariat heaving its shoulders under the iron heel of despotic capitalism? Where were the songs of revolutionary workers braving prison, Siberia or death in their struggle for freedom?

Instead of music welling from the soil of Russia, we were treated to such things as the "Cherubim Song," by Michael Fivsky, conductor of the Chanters; "Salvation Is Created," by Tchenosky, conductor. Worshy Is Thy Lamb," by Tchenosky, and several other religious and operatic pieces.

The reason for the choice of these numbers lies in their texts. "Like a choir of holy angels solemnly gathering through the air. Far from our hearts on this blessed day do we drive each earthly care..."

The remnants of Russian tyranny compare themselves to "holy angels," they have no earthly care, they sing, while they hatch plots to blood. And in Tchenosky's "Preserve, Oh Lord, the Soviet Union in butchers call themselves "God's people!"

The concert concluded with the Coronation Chorus from Moussorgsky's "Boris Godunov." The program note made no mention of the revolutionary aspect of this great opera. It distorted the composer's intent with the comment: "The people glorify the new Czar at his coronation." A typical case of intellectual prostitution!

The performance calls for no extended comment. The chorus, obviously recruited on the basis of social prestige rather than vocal ability, sang like members of a dying clan. Little spirit and less quality marked their efforts. How different the dynamism of the average workers' chorus is in its effect! The difference between the quick and the dead, the truth and falsehood.

Prince Olenyok, billed as a basso-cantante, rendered several solos, climbing critics of the metropolitan dailies found distressing, although the Prince contributed several hearty belches to the evening's entertainment.

The most interesting factor at the concert was the audience. Few still dreaming of the time when they ruled their corner of the earth, and still hoping to recover their lost power, these pretenders put on consisted of an obviously rented or borrowed tuxedo or evening gown. Many royal necks, more deserving of hemp, were rhinestones; the diamonds that formerly encircled their heads, were rhinestones; the diamonds that formerly encircled their heads, were rhinestones; the diamonds that formerly encircled their heads, were rhinestones.

One fact about the audience was significant—perhaps heartening. Few youthful people were present. Singers and listeners alike were therefore more anxious to seem alive. Consciously dying, and must be present even to them, and the futility of their cause face to face with reality, even more certainly must recognize the inevitable triumph of the proletariat. The old order gives way to the new. Forward to the World Revolution!

I am writing this letter to you because it was quite impossible for me to review the concert dispassionately, and my paper is too as I need my job. I shirked writing a review entirely, and the same reason causes me to use a pseudonym in reviewing with you. I include revolutionary greetings from several other class-conscious newspaper men.

"They Shall Not Die!"

Dear Comrade Gold:

I want to express my appreciation of some of the fine write-ups in your column, particularly for your timely appeal for the play "They Shall Not Die." I was invited by friends to see this, but declined, as I did not care to give support to an organization like the Theatre Guild, times, like the Scottsboro Boys by going, and you are right. So I went shirts and frozen mugs. But the applause from among the stuffed hearthens, particularly at mention of the I.L.D. and mass action. If clear up illusions of fair trials and justice. Even we farmers have learned different—fighting sheriff's sales, and so on.

Comradely,

—L. A.

W. L. T. Shock Troop Wins the First Place in Theatre Festival

2,000 Witness Chicago Performances; Two-Day Conference Maps Plans

Ukrainian Dramatic Groups Win Second Place With Play on Foreign-Born Workers

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

CHICAGO.—The Shock Troop of the Workers' Laboratory Theatre of New York won first place in the National Ukrainian Dramatic Festival held by the League of Workers' Theatres also of New York, won second place, with the Los Angeles Ukrainian Dramatic Group.

The Shock Troop, which was formed in 1931, by the League of Workers' Theatres, has been in this country only for a few years. Most of her family is still in Germany, feeling at first hand the brutality of Hitler fascism. "Certainly there are national characteristics in art, but national traditions should be utilized as a means of breaking through such boundaries."

When asked what she thought of the Workers' Dance Groups in the United States, she said: "I think they have achieved good work from the point of view of organization and the spirit of cooperation. Incidentally, I think it is very significant that the Negro group joined the League and will participate in Friday's program."

The groups must develop from mere dance groups into mass dance groups, in order to give real expression to the struggles of the masses, and to show that the operation in mass is the strongest weapon that the masses have.

"Although the work of the groups in the League is still lacking in perfection, they are distinctly opposed to the dance groups of the bourgeois world which have nothing to offer but the self-expression of the group leader or the soloist."

The plays of all showed the wide experimental experiences being learned. Players, delegates and audiences felt the wealth of material brought in by the festival.

The Ukrainian Dramatic Group won second place with an agit prop play depicting the capitalist coils would round an emigrant worker revolution from the ranks of the American working class.

Rooney, who portrayed as the Hindoo mystic that sought to hypnotize the rising masses to do nothing through the medium of the N. R. A., Johnson, the Socialist, and Bill Green in the skit presented by the Los Angeles Blue Blues.

A court scene frame-up of a steel Labor Defense Attorney from an international actual experience, was presented by the Group. The players were the terror of the steel city's police and courts. The audience was backing the courtroom and workers laughing uproariously at the smashing exposure of the frame-up by the I. L. D. attorney and the N. R. C. Groups represented.

The John Reed Dramatic Group of Detroit, after but three weeks' preparation, presented a perfect Marching. "Graveyard" was a combination of symbolism and realism.

Norman Morgan, Roosevelt and back by united Negro and white by the Tri Cities (Moline, Davenport, Rock Island) Group, Davenport.

The Albany Park Jewish Speaking Group of Chicago presented "America, America" was used with Workers Little Theatre of Cleveland while the Chicago Workers Laboratory Theatre forced a wage organization of stock-yards workers in "Hog House."

A two-day conference was held by the League of Workers' Theatres with delegates present from the cities competing in the Festival and from Toronto, Windsor, Montreal, Canada; Boston, Newark, Indianapolis, Louisville, Ky., Indian Rapids, Tennessee, Moline, Ill., and other parts of the country. The festival was opened by A. Bonn, member of the Presidium of

the International Union of Workers' Theatres. He told of the work of the League of Workers' Theatres throughout the world.

Another speaker was Anne Howe, who earned the name of "human dynamo" by her tireless efforts for the festival, the housing, transportation of the delegates, Comrade Howe, who is barely five feet in height, was recently slugged when she dashed to the defense of a Negro worker after leaving a pre-festival meeting.

A guest performance was given last Wednesday night at Lincoln Center by the Shock Troop of New York and the Los Angeles Blue Blues, under the auspices of the Chicago John Reed Club.

More than two thousand people attended the festival. Added attractions were workers' choruses of the South-West Unemployed Council and I. L. D. A group of Young Pioneers of the Bulgarian Workers Club almost stole the show from their elders.

Additional details of the festival will be carried in an early issue of the Daily Worker.

How the Press Whips Up "Anti-Red" Frenzy

Scottsboro, Nazis, Herndon Featured in Labor Defender

LABOR DEFENDER. Monthly pictorial of the International Labor Defense. April, 1934. Price 10 cents.

Reviewed by GRANVILLE HICKS.

I HAVE just read the current issue of the Labor Defender from cover to cover. Three articles particularly stick in my mind: Angelo Herndon's story, Joseph Brodsky's descriptions of some highlights of the Scottsboro case, and Anne Schoenhauer, who was slain by the Nazis.

The first installment of Angelo Herndon's autobiography only "ready" his story down to 1931, but already it is a story of bitter labor of hunger, of the most perilous kind of organizing work and of education in the class struggle. There is also describing the rotten brutality with which he is treated in prison. Incidentally, such stories as Herndon's show how far even the best proletarian novels are from realizing the epic potentialities of the revolutionary struggle.

Brodsky's article is sharp and vivid, and Anne Schultze gives a revealing glimpse of anti-war activity in the midst of war. There is a portrait of the Non-Partisan Labor Defense (N. P. L. D.) outfit, especially the pictures of the struggles of the Austrian workers.

Other contributions are good, but not quite so good. Reports on local struggles are less detailed and less dramatic than they should be. After all, we count on the Labor Defender both to keep us informed and to rouse us if our information lags. It is difficult, I know, to get vivid reporting, but it is very important.

One thing I particularly like in this issue of the Labor Defender is the emphasis, in almost every article, on the fight against fascism. The way to prevent terrorism is to resist every effort to terrorize workers, whether the effort is "legal" or "illegal." Fascism is the organization of such terror methods on a national scale, and it must be fought now in all its local manifestations. The Labor Defender plays a major role in this fight.

John H. Lawson On "Fellow Travelers" At John Reed Club Sun.

NEW YORK.—John Howard Lawson, author of "Professional," "Success Story," "Gentleman," and "Low-Travelers," will speak on "The Fellow-Travelers and Marxian Criticism" at the John Reed Club Forum, 430 Sixth Ave., next Sunday evening, April 22, at 8:30.

Unusual interest is attached to this forum in view of Michael Gold's work, and Lawson's spirited rejoinder in the latest issue of the Masses.

John Wexley, author of the revolutionary play of the Scottsboro boys, "They Shall Not Die," will act as chairman.

Garlin Speaks On "The Meaning of May Day" In Brooklyn Tonight

NEW YORK.—Sender Garlin, feature editor of the Daily Worker, will speak on "The Meaning of May Day" at Premier Palace, 50th Ave. and Hindsdale St., Brooklyn, tonight at 8 o'clock.

Following the talk Garlin will show slides portraying conditions in the U. S. under the N. R. A.

The meeting, which is held in one of the largest halls in the Brownsville section, is arranged by the Brownsville section of the Young Communist League. Sadie C. L. will act as chairman.

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Red Builder

By W. L.

"Daily Worker! Daily Worker! Read about the big coal strike in Bill Lewis' Red Builder, blew first on one hand and then on the other as he shifted his papers, New York was in the grip of its first cold snap of the season. Lewis had no gloves, situated on Stuart's Cafeteria, Greenwich Village glared brightly as he continued hawking his papers. Occasionally one would stop and buy one, making sure it was the following day's paper. In New York the workers' daily, like the capitalist press, was on the streets by nine o'clock.

"Daily Worker! Daily Worker!" that paper.

Bill looked up to a husky well-built of the law glaring at him. "That no license is needed to sell papers on the street," stated Lewis. "Oh yeah, who told you that?" growled the cop.

"Why only last week a judge dismissed a worker arrested for selling this paper," Lewis told the cop. he showed it to the officer.

"Where'd ya get this from?" snarled the cop.

"From the Daily Worker, that's the paper that would print the truth about such a case."

The clipping gave an account of arrested for peddling papers without a license, had been freed by the court.

"Yeah, well that don't mean a damn thing to me," growled the cop. "You'll have to get out of this corner. You've been told before, now

as long as he was not blocking the sidewalk or any entrance to a building.

Armed with this information and assurance, Lewis went back to his corner that night. Being going through, come the word among the told them, come around that night and to back him up if necessary in his fight to sell the Daily Worker.

"Daily Worker! Daily Worker! Read the latest news about the coal strike. Tomorrow's Daily Worker!"

It was after midnight, nearly time for the cop to come around. Lewis was ready. Many workers had gathered around inside and outside of Stuart's. Almost the entire corner was taken up by the National Students League and the John Reed Club League and the restaurant waiting for Lewis to start. The air was getting tense. For some unknown reason Lewis started trembling. He couldn't decide whether it was the cold or a sort of nervous reaction. He was determined to see things have long to wait. Out of the corner of his eye he saw the cop walking down the street swinging his club. Pretending not to see him, Lewis started hawking his papers again.

"Daily Worker! Daily Worker! Read the latest news about the coal strike. Tomorrow's Daily Worker!"

"Hey! You! I thought I told you to get out of here."

"Don't argue with me now, get he pushed him off the sidewalk and out the gutter. Standing his ground, Lewis stepped back on the sidewalk.

—L. A.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 1934

Rally Behind the Alabama Miners!

A NEGRO mine striker in Alabama has been foully shot to death by a deputy gun thug of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co.—J. P. Morgan's coal and steel empire in the South.

A reign of terror is being let loose against the 21,000 striking miners. The militia, armed with machine guns, has been sent against the miners. This murderous action is taken in an effort to stampede the miners back to work.

The flames of this Southern coal strike are beginning to reach the steel mills in Birmingham. Reports to the Daily Worker, published yesterday, show that the Negro and white steel workers feel that the miners' strike is their struggle, and express sentiment for joining. "Blast," Communist Shop Bulletin, issued to the steel mill workers, calls on them to prepare for strike now. They point out that now, with the miners on strike, they should join forces in a common struggle against their common oppressors. Both the coal mines and the steel mills, are controlled by this Morgan corporation.

The steel workers have their own bitter grievance, and the miners' strike has aroused them to a point where even the bosses admit the fear that the steel workers will walk out.

Birmingham steel workers know that the sending of the militia against the coal miners is an effort to terrorize all the workers, to keep the strike from spreading to the steel mills.

The coal and steel barons fear a mighty united struggle of both the steel workers and miners. Their first murderous blow is struck against the heroic miners, who through their militant picketing, against the wishes of their misleaders in the United Mine Workers, have stood solidly on strike for higher wages and union recognition.

Now is the time for the steel workers to draw up their demands, knit their fighting ranks, elect their committees and walk out in the most powerful strike struggle the South has ever seen.

Every worker should immediately protest the murderous attack on the Alabama miners. Demand the immediate withdrawal of the National Guards and the T. C. I. deputized gunmen. Wire your protest against the brutal murder to Governor Miller, Montgomery, Ala. Workers' organizations everywhere! Rally behind the Alabama miners, give them your support, fight against the reign of terror unleashed against them!

Two Imperialist Gangsters

THE fight between Tokio and Washington is nothing but the fight between two groups of gangster imperialists, "muscling in" on one another's profitable "territory."

Japan is ready to warn Washington that it considers itself the sole "defender of peace and the guardian of the integrity of China" in the Far East.

Wall Street naturally is "indignant." American imperialism is just as eager to be the "guardian of the integrity of China" as Japanese imperialism. In this way American imperialism merely expresses the fact that it is just as eager as Japanese imperialism for the fat profits that can be wrung from the workers in the hell factories of Shanghai and Nanking, where Chinese children spin silk for 6 cents a day.

Wall Street poses as the defender of the Chinese people against the wicked Japan. But it would be impossible to decide which gang of imperialist robbers, Washington or Tokio, is more ruthless, more brutal and savage in its exploitation of the Chinese masses.

It is enough to remember that the Roosevelt government in its benevolence to the Chinese masses has stationed gunboats all along the Yangtze

River with cannon trained on the villages of the Chinese peasants. It is none other than Roosevelt who is providing the unspeakable torturer and murderer, Chiang Kai-Shek, with \$50,000,000 to buy bombing planes and poison gas bombs to destroy the villages of Soviet China in the interior.

Wall Street is horrified at the "aggression" of the Japanese Monroe Doctrine of the Far East. But does not American imperialism itself warn that it means to hog the profits of South American exploitation against all imperialist rivals? Does not the Roosevelt government warn all other powers that it will resent any interference with, let us say, the Rockefeller holdings of Venezuela oil fields? Does not Wall Street imperialism dominate Cuba, Haiti, Latin America, and the Philippines?

THE American working class has nothing to gain and everything to lose from the poison of the jingoistic hatred that the Wall Street prostitute press is now trying to stir up against "the Japanese menace." When Wall Street gets fat on the Chinese masses, it is strengthening its ability to rob the American workers at home. Both the American and Japanese working class are the victims of their "own" particular gang of imperialist robbers.

Both Washington and Tokio are raping China. They are merely squabbling over the booty. Both Washington and Tokio are preparing to drown the Chinese revolution, the Chinese Soviets, in blood. Both Washington and Tokio are sending their military machines against the Chinese Soviets, where the Chinese workers and peasants have destroyed the slavery of the landlords and exploiters.

Wall Street thinks that it will blind us to our starvation at home, and use us for cannon fodder to defend Morgan's investments in China, and to crush the new society of Soviet China.

But against this Wall Street jingoism aimed at our class brothers of Japan and China we raise the banner of working class internationalism. We pledge that we will do our utmost to defend Soviet China. We pledge that we will not be the murderers of the Japanese working class.

If Wall Street places arms in our hands to defend Morgan's profits, we will not fail to strike a blow at the gangster imperialists of all brands, Washington, as well as Tokio.

Down tools on May 1st! Let this international of labor be an answer to the jingoism of the imperialists!

Norman Thomas and Socialism

"THE time has now come," Norman Thomas tells the workers in the Socialist New Leader, "when it is the business of Socialists to get Socialism and not bother with reforms."

This sounds very radical. Actually it is reactionary.

Norman Thomas is telling the workers that it is useless for them to fight for such "reforms" as higher wages, social insurance, Federal Unemployment Insurance, to be paid for by the government and the bosses, etc., etc. "Now we must get Socialism," he says.

But this theory plays right into the hands of the employers. Is it not clear that the fixing of the eyes of the workers on some vague "Socialism," WHILE GIVING UP THE FIGHT FOR IMMEDIATE DEMANDS, permits the employers to continue their policies of placing the burdens of the crisis upon the backs of the working-class?

He who talks about "Socialism" without leading the workers in bitter, relentless struggle for day-to-day concessions from the capitalists, who does not fight for higher wages, Federal unemployment insurance, etc., etc., is throwing dust into the eyes of the workers.

ONLY the Communists, who are not afraid to slash the profits of the capitalists, who are not afraid to slash into the sacred private property of the banks and investors, who are not afraid to prepare for the smashing of capitalism, are really able to put up the best fight for the day to day needs of the working class, for higher wages, for better conditions, for relief and unemployment insurance.

And conversely, it is because they are the best fighters for higher wages, for relief, for unemployment insurance, that the Communists are the best fighters for Socialism.

It is impossible to fight for the overthrow of capitalism, for Socialism, without fighting with bulldog relentlessness for the day to day "reforms" of higher wages, etc., etc.

On May 1 let the working class down its tools! Let it strike a blow right here and now for such "reforms" as higher wages, better working conditions, unemployment insurance, etc.

On May 1 let the working class strike a blow for Socialism by striking a blow to the "reform" of slashing into the capitalists' profits!

The fight for Socialism, the road to Soviet Power, is the road of day to day fights against capitalist wage slave exploitation!

Down Tools on May Day!

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industry for war purposes, by spreading war sentiment among the masses, and by militarizing the youth in Civilian Concentration Camps. The government of the United States, intensifying its oppression of the Cuban and Philippine masses, is partner to all the conspiracies of the great powers against the Soviet Union and the Soviet Districts of China.

May Day finds the forces of exploitation and oppression more rampant than ever. But the forces of resistance on the part of the workers have been growing apace. Mass strikes in every industry are the order of the day. Protests against exploitation move the workers to go on strike even against the order of the leaders of the A. F. of L., who have made peace with the bosses. Mass demonstrations for relief and against discontinuance of the C.W.A. jobs have rallied scores of thousands of workers in various sections of the country. Farmers' revolts against foreclosures have become a feature of the countryside. Negro masses in the South have organized into militant unions together with the white workers to fight against boss terror and to demand the right to live. The country is astir with militant action. Clearly, the workers and the other toilers of America do not wish to bear their sufferings any longer.

This situation demands that May Day of this year be a real fighting day of great masses of the workers and farmers in the United States. The destroy the old government, establish their Soviet Communist Party of the U. S. A. appeals to the masses of America to make this day a great day of militant protest against capitalism, a day which will strengthen the working-class of America, strengthen their brotherly ties with the workers of other countries and make them all capable of winning battles against capitalism until the final battle will have come, when the workers and other toilers,

rising in a revolution against capitalist rule, will Government, and proceed to the building of Socialism, which will mean the final liberation, not only of the working-class, but of all mankind.

The Communist Party of the U. S. A. appeals to every working-class organization, no matter what its affiliation, and to every worker, no matter what his organization, to help build a powerful united front May Day action. This means, in the first place, to down tools on May First. It means powerful demonstrations of united workers from coast to coast. This can best be prepared by local every-day struggles of workers and farmers right now around pressing local issues.

May First of 1934 must become a red letter day in the history of the American working-class. Down tools on May First! Demonstrate in the streets for higher wages, for shorter hours of work, for the passage of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill (H. R. 7589), for immediate cash relief, against company unions, against compulsory arbitration, against discrimination in relief, against fascist policies of the American government and against fascist formations, against the war preparations of the American government, for the defense of the Soviet Union, for the defense of the Chinese Soviets, for the defense of the Cuban masses struggling against Yankee imperialism, against the shipment of munitions to aid the attack on the Chinese Soviets, for the release of all class-war prisoners, for solidarity with the working-class of Germany fighting against Fascism under the leadership of the German Communist Party, for the release of the valiant fighter and leader of the German working-class, Ernst Thaelmann.

Long live working-class unity in the struggle against capitalism! Long live red May Day, the day of international working-class solidarity! Forward to working-class victory! Forward to a Soviet America!

Mendieta Forced to Free Anti-Strike Law Prisoners

Haitian Deal Fortifies U.S. Exploitation 'Independence' Scheme Conceals Shackles of Wall Street

WASHINGTON, April 18.—President Roosevelt and President Stenio Vincent of Haiti yesterday issued a joint note which pretends to represent an agreement for complete political and financial independence of the Republic of Haiti, which has been occupied by U. S. marines for 19 years.

The agreement, which is a response to the growing indignation of the Haitian masses, seeks to appease them by continuing the robbery of the Haitian masses by American imperialism, and the draining of the country's economic resources by Wall Street, in a more concealed form.

Vincent As Wall Street Agent President Vincent and his government will now play a more active role as the direct agents of American imperialism, instead of the men from Washington and Wall Street, who have played this role in the past.

American imperialism controls the customs of Haiti on the basis of the loan that was forced upon the Haitian masses in 1915. These customs are controlled through the National Bank of Haiti, a subsidiary of the National City Bank of New York. The present agreement proposed to sell this bank to the Haitian government.

To Protect U. S. Exporters In this agreement, guarantees are made for the protection of the interests of the Wall Street holders of \$1,000,000 in outstanding Haitian bonds, thereby guaranteeing the continued flow of the Haitian masses by Wall Street.

At the same time the Haitian government promises to keep the island a free field for further exploitation by American imperialists. The agreement expresses the support of the Haitian government for the American imperialist policy of aggression in Latin America, and the utilization of Haiti as a naval base of the U. S. The U. S. marines will not be removed until October.

No Alleviation for Masses The agreement means no alleviation of the conditions of the masses of Haiti. On the contrary, the conditions which Roosevelt expresses in the Haitian bourgeoisie is an acknowledgment of its sharp campaign of terror, which Roosevelt prefers to have carried out by Vincent than by his marines.

Vincent maintains a state of siege throughout the country, which includes the suppression of the press, the prohibition of strikes, the prohibition of the right of assembly, censorship of the mails, imprisonment of revolutionaries and liberal opposition elements.

Recently, the government denied the United Front Scottsboro Defense Committee to collect subscriptions and to hold meetings in defense of the Scottsboro boys.

Strengthen Wall Street Control The financial arrangements of the present agreement not only continue Wall Street's stranglehold in full force, but facilitate the increase of Wall Street exploitation of the Haitian masses, with the Haitian ruling class as its faithful agents and policemen.

Against this robbery masked as "independence," the Communist Party declares that only the complete cancellation of Wall Street and repudiation by Haiti of the robbery Wall Street loans, the immediate, complete, and unconditional freedom of Haiti from all obligations to Wall Street government, and the immediate withdrawal of all American armed forces and naval and military establishments from the island, can lead toward independence for the Haitian masses.

PLANT EXPLOSION KILLS 3 DAYTON, Ohio.—Three women were killed when a detonation at the United Fireworks Co. near here yesterday destroyed two buildings and shook buildings for miles around. Four others were injured.

THE LIBERAL MAYOR



Sub Drive Lag in Pittsburgh Calls for Quick Correction

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Lack of revolutionary action in the Daily Worker circulation drive is still noticeable among numerous units and mass organizations in the Pittsburgh District.

So far this important concentration drive has obtained only about 28 new subs on a quota of 800 daily and Saturday subscriptions. Is this poor showing due to lack of interest among workers in the Daily Worker? Experience proves this is not so.

Get Subs Activity by comparatively few comrades in the New Kensington section, for example, resulted in 10 new subs for the "Daily." The Brownsville section obtained nine new subs; McKeesport gained eight new subs; the Monaca Unit alone secured six new subs. Within a few days comrades in the Turtle Creek Section secured 31 new subscriptions. In all these territories the workers are poverty-stricken, but they gladly subscribe to the paper that fights for their interests.

These results prove decisively that if workers are approached and the role of the Daily Worker explained to them, they subscribe. The trouble is that only a few comrades are active getting subs. If every working class organization would mobilize its membership, if every class-conscious worker would go out for new subs, we could easily double our circulation.

Browder's Report The report by Comrade Browder at the Party Convention in Cleveland showed that the Daily Worker circulation is the weakest sector in

Mass. Tech. Students' Conference Votes to Join Anti-War League

BOSTON.—The All-Tech Students Anti-War Conference held at Massachusetts Institute of Technology last Saturday, April 14, voted to affiliate with the American League Against War and Fascism.

The students resolved "to ally ourselves with the working class in the struggle against war and fascism and to support the United States Government in any war it may conduct." The students also resolved to support the peace policies of the Soviet Union; for the abolition of the R. O. T. C., etc.

Among the speakers were N. Sparks of the Communist Party, Prof. H. W. L. Dana of the Executive Committee of the American League

Leading Women on U.S. Group for Paris Anti-War Congress

Mobilization Begun for Women's Delegation to July 28 Meet

NEW YORK.—The National Executive Committee of the American Section of the International Women's Congress Against War and Fascism, which will be held in Paris July 28, 29, and 30 of this year has already begun the work of mobilizing the widest sections of American women for the organized struggle against war and fascism.

Down tools May 1 against fascism here and abroad, for the release of Thaelmann and all imprisoned anti-fascists!

Among the women already involved in this work are Margaret Forester, chairman, who is an associate professor of Religious Education at Teachers College, Columbia University; Ella Reeve Bloor, one of the vice chairmen, veteran revolutionary; Winifred Chappell, another vice-chairman, secretary of the Methodist Federation of Social Service; and Margaret Schlauch, third vice chairman, professor of English at New York University.

The membership of the national executive committee shows the broad appeal of this movement to every section of the American population. There are trade union representatives like Ann Burialk of the National Textile Workers Union, Rose Wortis of the Trade Union Unity Council; Nettie Selinger of the Steel and Metal Workers Industrial Union, and a representative of the Needle Trade Workers Industrial Union. There are representatives of large pacifist organizations like Mrs. Annie Gray and Blanche Watson of the Women's Peace Society.

Several outstanding women writers like Josephine Herbst, Grace Hutchins, Babette Deutsch and Elinor Copenhaver, the wife of Sherwood Anderson support the Congress.

In addition to representatives of large working class organizations like the United Council of Working-class Women, International Labor Defense, Workers International Relief, Workers Ex-Servicemen's League, Veteran War Nurses, there are individuals like Mary Van Kleeck of the Russell Sage Foundation, and Margaret Lamont of the Socialist Party.

Demonstration Tomorrow at Cuba Consulate

NY Workers to Demand Freedom for All Cuban Workers

NEW YORK.—The New York District of the International Labor Defense yesterday called upon its membership to support the demonstration called by the Anti-Imperialist League for Friday, April 20th, at 12 noon in front of the Cuban Consulate, 17 Battery Place to protest the Mendieta terror in Cuba and demand the release of all political prisoners and the repeal of the anti-strike laws.

Many prominent speakers will address the demonstration, while a delegation of 15 presents the demands of New York workers to the Cuban Consul. The Anti-Imperialist League urges all organizations to mobilize their membership for a mass demonstration of solidarity with the Cuban masses.

HAVANA, April 18.—In the face of a powerful and growing series of strikes and mass demonstrations, the Caffrey-Mendieta government today was compelled to issue a decree of amnesty for about 2,000 workers imprisoned for violation of the anti-strike decrees.

One hundred and fifty of these imprisoned workers have been on hunger strike, 71 of them for nine days; 20 of these have been reported near death from exhaustion. This partial victory of the Cuban masses does not, however, release all political prisoners, and does not achieve the repeal of the terrorist anti-strike laws under which these workers were jailed, and a number have been killed.

In the same decree, the Caffrey-Mendieta government seeks to drive a wedge between the Cuban and Negro workers, by providing that 75 per cent of workers in all private enterprises must be citizens of Cuba. Most of the non-citizen workers are Negroes.

It also strengthens the power of American imperialism by prohibiting acquisition of land by non-Cubans, except for the development of new industries—that is to say, except by the big American monopolies, which through Jefferson Caffrey, U. S. Ambassador, control the Mendieta government.

An apparent concession to the peasants, which, however, only benefits rich farmers, is made in the decree for establishing an agricultural credit bank and a homestead law.

Two Steamers Rush to Bring Chelyuskin Refugees from Cape

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, April 18.—The Soviet steamers Smolensk and Stalingrad are rushing toward Providence Bay, to pick up the rescued refugees of the Chelyuskin expedition, the last of whom were taken by planes from the ice-floe in the Bering Sea, where they had lived two months after the sinking of their ship.

Meanwhile the icebreaker Krasin yesterday passed the Panama Canal, and headed north to take part in bringing the refugees back from their bleak Arctic haven.

Thousands of radiograms from all parts of the world are pouring in to the fast-floes in Cape Wellen, congratulating the Chelyuskiners and the flyers who rescued them. A great number of radiograms from all corners of the Soviet Union and from abroad are addressed to Professor Otto Schmidt, leader of the expedition, wishing him a speedy recovery from the pneumonia which he contracted during his last days on the ice-floe.

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Communist Vote Shows Great Gains in South Wales Coal Area

40,000 Votes Are Cast for Communists in Month of March

The striking gains made by the Communist Party in the recent elections in South Wales are of great significance for the revolutionary movement. These gains, in which the growth of the Party reached a high degree of revolutionizing of sections of the working class who formerly supported the Labor Party, are made in one of the chief coal mining districts of Great Britain, the center of some of the bitterest labor struggles of recent years.—Editor.

By IDRIS COX

The results of the local elections in South Wales this year bring out more clearly than ever the big prospects for building a strong Communist Party in the area. While South Wales shared in the general "swing to Labor" throughout the country, the significant feature about the election results where there were Communist candidates is that the swing to Communism was much greater.

This is proved conclusively by taking twelve places where Labor and Communist candidates contested both in 1933 and 1934:

Average Average

Year	Candi- dates	Average Vote	Average Vote
1933	12	830	1,300
1934	12	1,015	1,428

These contests took place in the Rhondda, Aberdare, Maesteg and other places where Labor has had a majority for many years and where it is unusual for "Independent" candidates to contest.

The result is that Labor receives many votes from Tory and Liberal elements, who are anxious to keep out the Communists.

Despite this, the Labor vote only increased by 15 per cent, but the Communist vote by 21 per cent.

Communist Vote for County Councils

Actually, the Communist vote increased by nearly 50 per cent in most places.	Candi- dates	Total Vote	Aver- age
For the County Councils there were 28 Communist candidates, who received a total of 12,874 votes—an average of 460 for each candidate, compared with 322 three years ago.	28	27,230	681
In the County of Glamorgan, where there continues to be the great mass activity following upon the big march to the P.A.C. last November, the Communist Party made a big advance—ten candidates polling 8,043 votes, an average of 804 for each candidate, and one candidate being elected to the County Council with 1,937 votes.	28	45,043	1,185
	33	21,304	646
	40	93,677	2,342

The result of the Urban Council elections gives the following analysis:

In all these contests the Communist candidates polled 45 per cent of the Labor vote.

In Monmouthshire alone there was an increased vote—12 candidates polling 4,263 votes; an average of 355 for each candidate, and one Communist being elected to the County Council with 963 votes.

Communist Vote for Urban Councils

The results of the Urban Council elections show even a bigger advance towards Communism.	Candi- dates	Total Vote	Aver- age
Thirty-three Communist and seven Workers' candidates polled 27,230 votes, an average of 881 for each candidate, representing 58 per cent of the Labor vote.	40	93,677	2,342

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During the month of March over 40,000 votes in all were cast for the policy of the Communist Party. Even allowing for the duplication of the same workers voting in the County Council and Urban Council elections, there were still over 32,000 workers voting for the Communist policy.	Candi- dates	Total Vote	Aver- age
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The big task now in South Wales is to harness the forces of the workers won to the support of the Communist Party in the election campaign in order to build the unity of the workers for the fight against the new Unemployment Bill, for the demands of the National Congress of Action, against the terrible danger of arbitration for the Welsh miners and for strike action to secure a new agreement.